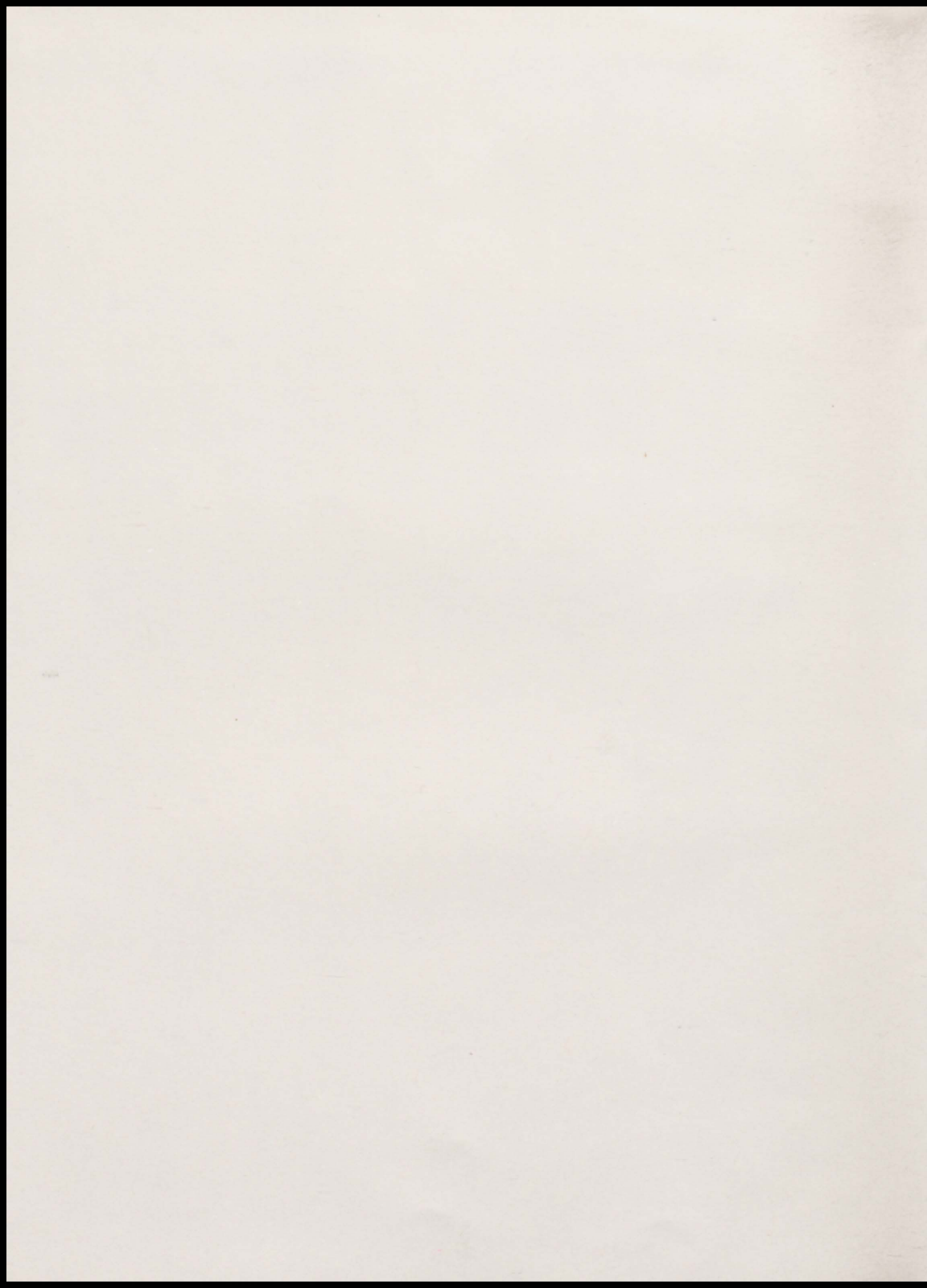




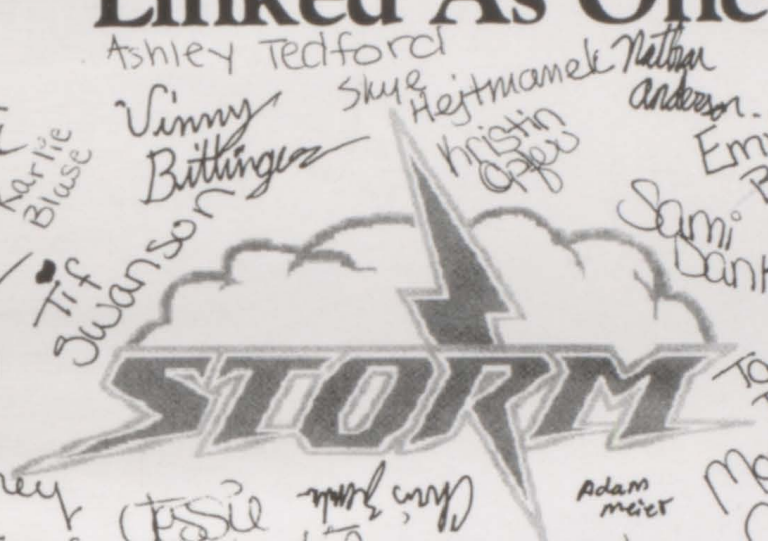
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STORM

HEATHCROCK

Surveys and Advice to Underclassmen

NO REGRETS Vinny Bittinger

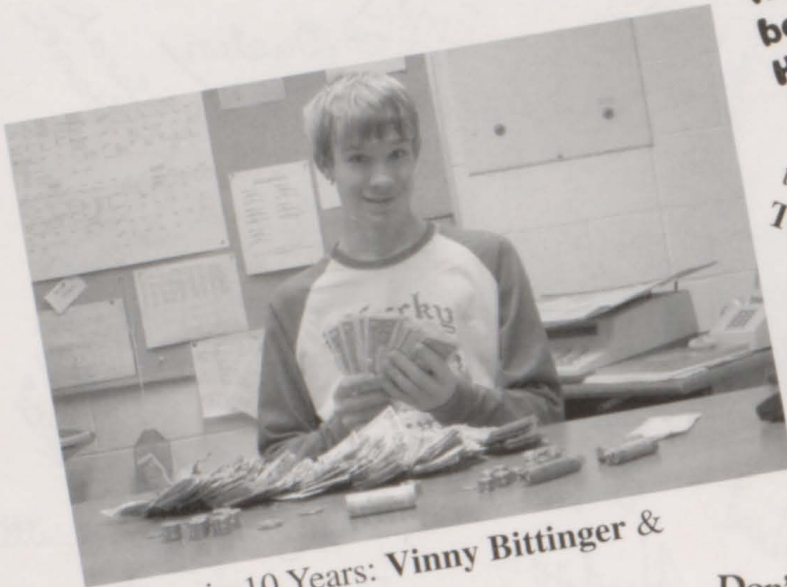
Always vacuum out your car after you have had greenery in it for band, before the drug dogs come.
Holly Engel

Work to your fullest potential beacause it will pay off in the end.
Heather Steinke

If you have to cheat to pass don't get caught. **Dustin Meyer**

Don't be a prep like everyone else because then no one will like you.
Tiffany Swanson

Try and have as much fun as you can.
Sue Dankes



Richest in 10 Years: Vinny Bittinger & Samantha Dubas

GO OUT FOR AG YOU GET OUT OF SCHOOL A LOT.
DENNY SCHLUND

CAUTION: Sandbars are the worst, do not eat them.
Levi Lindburg

Don't play block that kick with with Mr. Arasmith. If you do don't win or lose. **Dustin Kufeldt**



Best Smile: Jane Hansen & Levi Lindburg

Don't throw things at substitute teachers. **Morgan Comer**

If you're going to sleep in science class, face your head toward the t.v. to pretend like your watching.
Samantha Dubas

Give hugs not Drugs. **Abby Necker**

Don't pop bubble gum in front of the principal.
Ashley Tedford



Best Hair: Holly Engel & Denny Schlund



DON'T
DRIVE
LIKE
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IT !!!
WAAFFLES



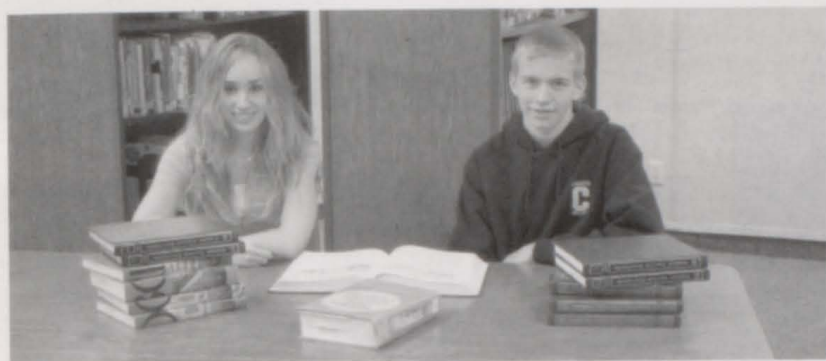
Best Car: Brent Zoucha & Corinna Vrbka

Worst Car: Levi Lindburg & Tiffany Swanson

Be nice to foreigners. Jane Hansen

Look out for Mr. Metcalf. Nate Anderson

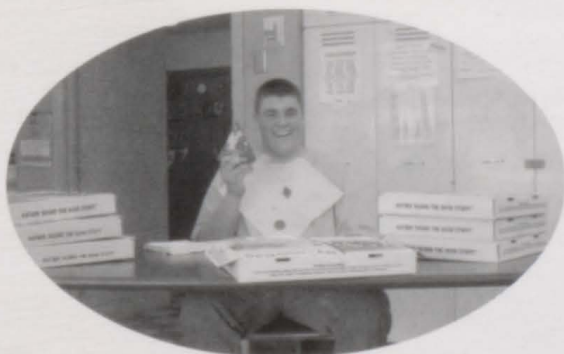
Make time for the extra things in high school; those are the memories you will share. Corinna Vrbka



Top Students: Heather Steinke & Nate Anderson

Have fun because it goes by fast.
Casey Sneed

Stay on Mr. Vrbka's good side.
Justin Byrd



Biggest appetite: Dustin Kufeldt & Samantha Dubas

Don't keep talking when Mr. Vrbka says to be quiet at football practice. You WILL run laps. Brett Kuhn

Don't
make
Mr.
Vrbka
Mad
Brent
Zoucha



Best Athletes: Levi Lindburg & Samantha Dubas

Don't take Life too seriously OR you'll never get out of Life. Kristin Opfer



Morgan Comer smile pretty.



Abby Necker wonders what is going on at this class meeting.



"Can you hand me a piece of tape," Holly Engel says while hanging up decorations.



Is it safe yet? Samantha Dubas looks out for Mr. Arasmith.

SENIORS

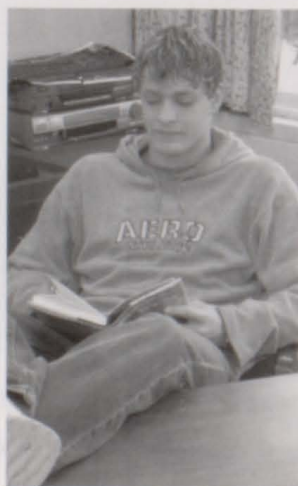


"Say hello to my little friend" Dustin Meyer says holding on to his nutcracker.

We've had many obstacles thrown our way during the school year, having to get use to the new principal; meeting new people from different places; making senior decisions like choosing announcements, song, colors; knowing that you're going to experience everything for the very last time; to losing someone we loved.

All and all this year has been a blast. To the class of 2006 don't take school for granted, enjoy every bit, because it will be gone in a flash.

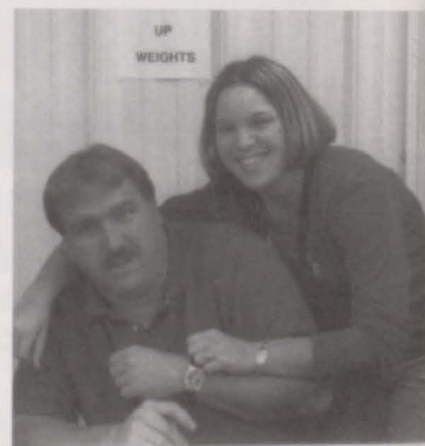
Class Officers were President- Casey Sneed, Vice President- Samantha Dubas, Secretary/Treasurer- Corinna Vrbka, and Student Council Representative- Holly Engel.



Denny Schlund relaxing while reading a book for English.



Vinny Bittinger says, "Get this freshman off my back!"



Who says Corinna Vrbka is not a teachers pet?



Brett Kuhn and Levi Lindburg take a break from the exciting softball action.



"Umm what should I do next," Chris Fowler says while concentrating on the computer.



Right: "One, two, three, are we done yet?" says Brent Zoucha while jumping rope during P.E.

Below left: Nate Anderson works diligently in shop class.



Far left: Casey Sneed enjoys stuffing marshmallows in her mouth during homecoming week.

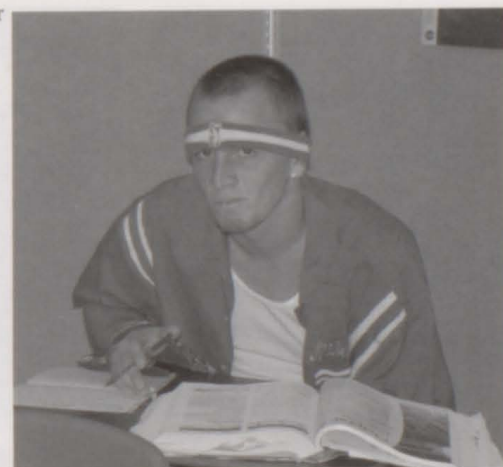
"Take the picture already!" says Jessie Shotkoski not looking too happy.



Above: Sami Danklesen and Thomas Tassler listen very closely to what Ms. Potter has to say.

Below: Ashley Tedford takes a little break before class starts.

CLASS OF 2005



"Hellooo? I'm trying to study," says Levi Lindburg working hard in class.

CLASS OF 2005



Nathan Anderson



Vinny Bittinger



Morgan Comer



Sami Danklesen



Samantha Dubas



Holly Engel



Christopher Fowler

Not pictured: Justin Byrd



Jane Hansen



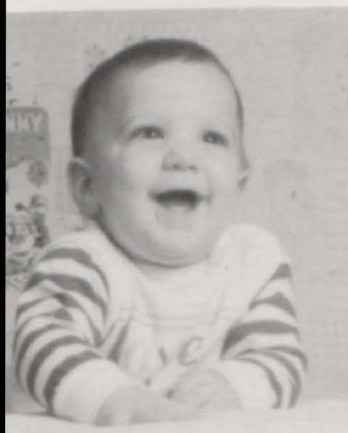
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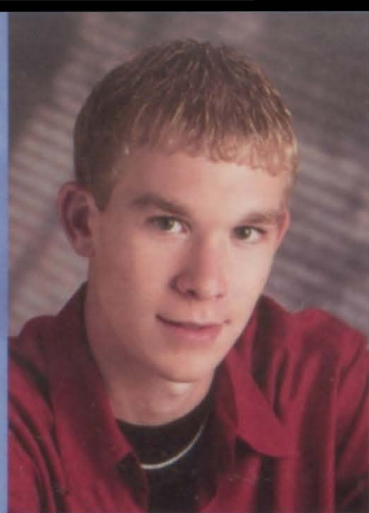
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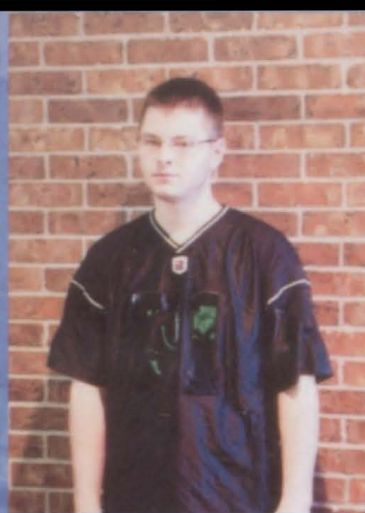
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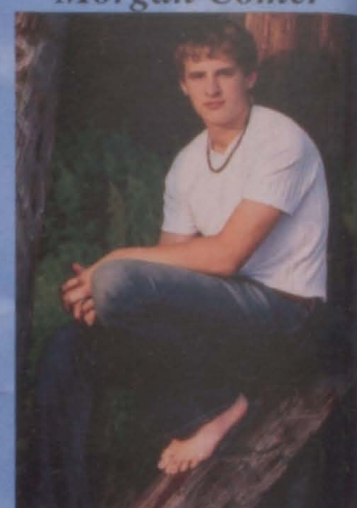
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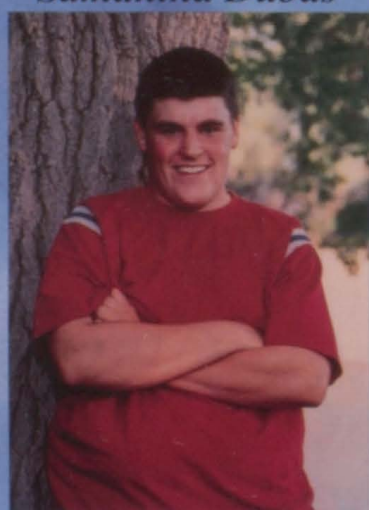
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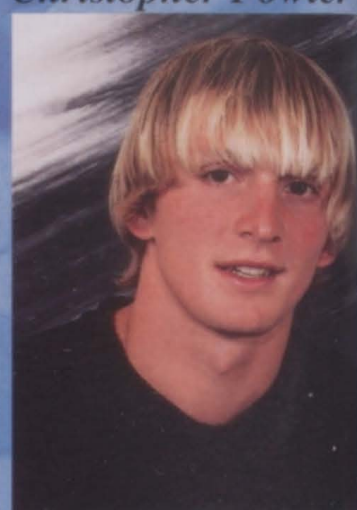
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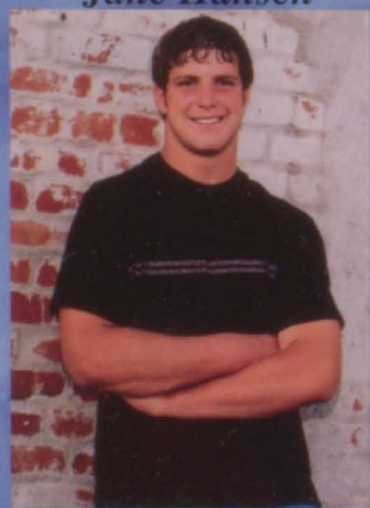
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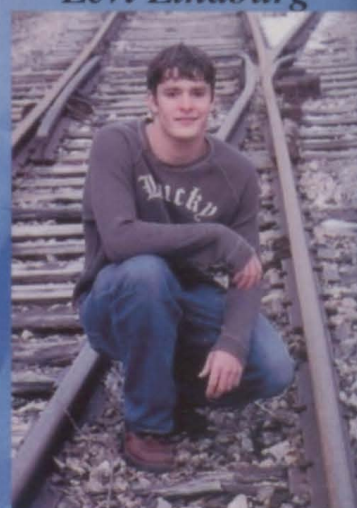
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Heather Steinke



Tiffany Swanson



Ashley Tedford



Thomas Tasler



Corinna Vrbka



Brent Zoucha



Class of 2005

Flower

Calla Lily

Song

Wonder Wall

Colors

*Black, Blue
& Silver*

Motto

*We are leaving a part
of our lives, never to
return, but always to
remember.*

Class of 2006 Juniors

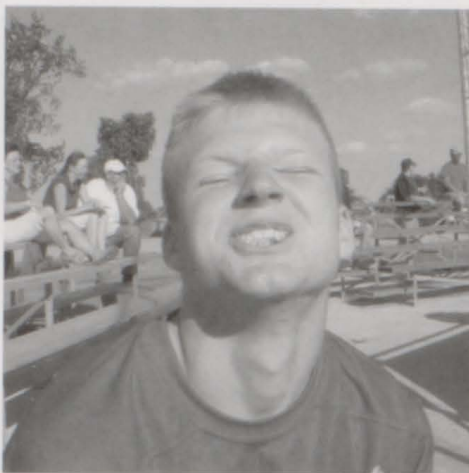
The Juniors had an interesting year. It was full of fun and responsibility. You get to decorate for Prom, but you have to earn the money to buy decorations. You have to study for ACT's, pick a career, start thinking about what college you want to attend and how you will pay for it. You do have lots of fun and these pictures are proof!

The class officers were as follows:
Chris Ziemba - President, Candice Swedenburg - Vice President, Brandon Bankson - Student Council Representative, Kelli Stevens - Secretary, and Brent Scherer - Treasurer.

Someday we will look back and ask ourselves "Why couldn't it last longer?"

Right: **Kelli Stevens and Candice Swedenburg** enjoying softball practice.

Below: **Chris Ziemba** enjoying a hot dog at a softball game.



Left: **Meghan Hammond and Heidi Hanquist** relaxing.

Above: The morning German class, **Amber Swanson, Whitney Flinn, and Tiffany Kowalski**.

Above Right: The afternoon German class, **Brandon Bankson, John Lindgren, and Christina Rhodes**.

Right: **Josh Hudson, Drew Rodine and Brandon Bankson** during Study Hall.

Bottom Left: **Ashley Strobel, Lauren Redman, Candice Swedenburg, and Heidi Hanquist** hard at work in Mr. Walford's room.



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Left: **Kayla Beck** hard at work as always!

Below: **Josh Gufstason** caught on camera.



Above: **Meghan Hammond** in weight class, pumping iron.

Right: **Erin Hammond** and **Josh Gustufson** during math class.



The Junior class. Smile everyone!



Far Right: **Josh Hohnholt** and **Christina Rhodes** skipping in downtown Omaha on a FCCLA trip.



Sophomores

The sophomore class had many obstacles to conquer this year, but they have all persevered. Losing a classmate was the hardest experience to overcome. Frankie remained in our memories as we traveled from class to class the rest of the year. These memories and many more will last a lifetime.

Class officers were elected and are as follows: Justin Blase-President, Tara Tonniges-Vice President, Kylie Shoup-Student Council Representative, Frankie Anderson-Secretary, and Kendra Stevens-Treasurer.

The sophomores may not be the "top dogs" of the school, but they will still be remembered as the class with the most school spirit.

Right: All you can do now, **Issac Samuelson**, is smile about the shaving cream smeared all over you!

Below right: **Jonella Yrkoski** trying to take in all of the info. in class.



Right: **Dustin Meyer, Chris Ziemba, Justin Blase, Caleb Church, Todd Schulze, Travis Kuhn, and Mike Wagoner** show some "cross dress" spirit.



Heather Church wondering when the next time out will be to do a cheer.



The Class of 2007



Kendra Stevens taking a time out to give that "million dollar smile".



In loving memory of
Frankie Anderson
June 1, 1989-
November 5, 2004



Tara Tonniges and Kylie Shoup giggling during a basketball game.



Hana Lindburg and Haley Stromburg playing knockout during homecoming.



Left: **Emily Buhr** putting on a smile for the camera, while trying to study.

Below: **Justin Blase** showing his stuff in gym class.



Megan Carson looking devilish at a football game.



Above: **Skye Hejtmanek** "having a blast" trying to mop the floor.



"Smile pretty", **Todd Schulze**.



Left: **Trent Norquest, Dillion Nielsen, Trevor Labarge, Nicole Davis, Ryan Rathjen, and Cody Means** having a great time at lunch.

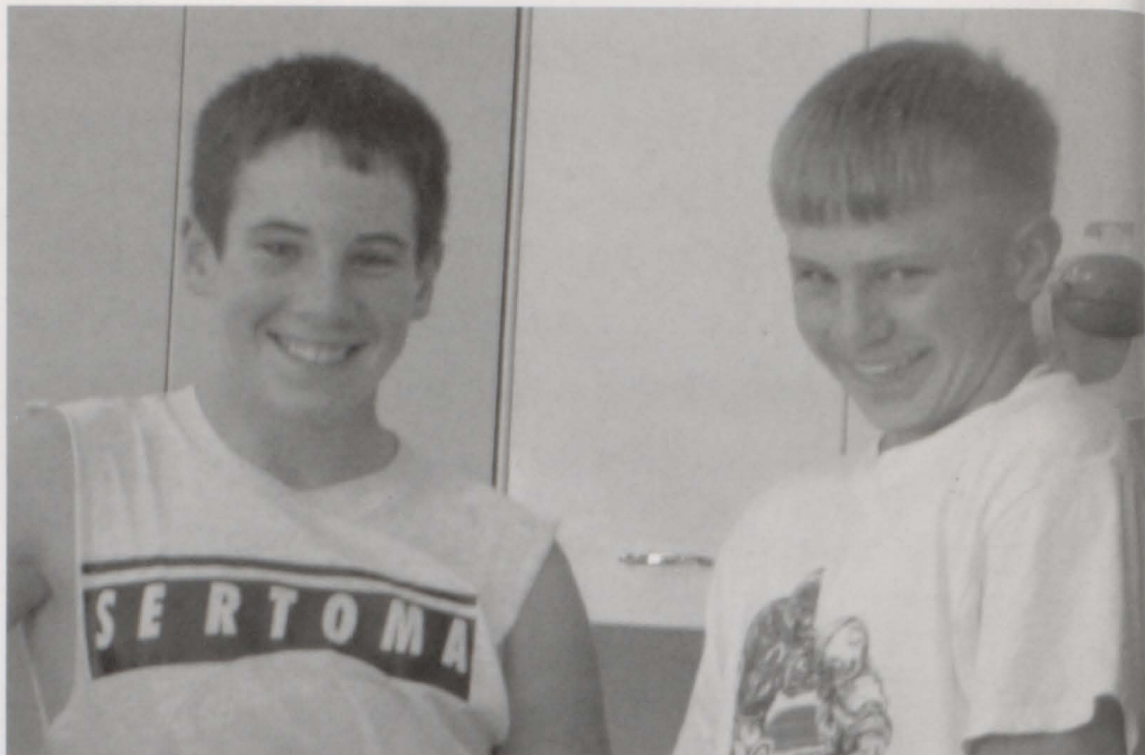


Mike Wagoner, Travis Kuhn, Logan Glasser, and Nic Beck look happy to see the camera.

Freshman... Class of 2008

Right: Clete Vrbka and Jesse Dubas
"smile pretty" for the camera.

Below: Mike Wagoner... the new
spokesman for Mountain Dew!



Hilary Kortum and Britney Swanson are really concentrating on their homework.



"Freshmen! Freshmen! GO GO GO!"



Anthony Beck, Grant Friesen, and Sean Steinke,
enjoy each others company during the homecoming dance.



Nice muscles Nate Hoffman!!



Quit messing around and get some
work done, Talus Vest!



Freshman year is full of new and exciting things. This year, there were a total of 36 freshmen, which made them the biggest class in the high school, but that definitely didn't mean they had control of the school. After ruling the middle school last year, they soon learned that they were the underdogs once again.

One advantage of being a freshmen is getting to join various clubs. It is a year to experiment with class choices, sports teams, and where to sit in the lunchroom. Everywhere you looked, whether it be a sports team, a school activity, or just the hallway, you could always find a freshman!

The only order of business the freshmen had to take care of for the year was electing class officers. The following were chosen at their class meeting. Talus Vest-President, Jesse Dubas-Vice President, Brooke Engel-Secretary, Marcus Bender-Treasurer, and Caleb Church-Student Council Representative.



Above: Karlie Blase, Alison Veburg, Mary Ziemba, and Denise Carlstrom look really excited to be at the pep-rally!



David Oliver is stunned that Erin Davis still brings her doll to school.



Grant Friesen and Trevor Schnabel wondering why they have to perform a bus safety drill.

Below: Sarah Hammond and Mandy Hanquist lookin' innocent.



Marcus Bender, Mike Wagoner, and Brooke Engel can't wait to leave school.



Why are Nic Beck and Justin Blase torturing Caleb Church in the hallway?

CLASS OF 2006

11th Grade



BRANDON
BANKSON



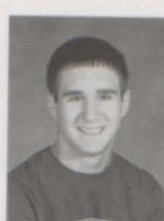
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LAURA
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JOSHUA
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ERIN
HAMMOND



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JOSHUA
HOHNHOLT



JOSH
HUDSON



HEATHER
KLINGSPOHN



TIFFANY
KOWALSKI



JOHN
LINDGREN



STEPHEN
OPFER



CALVIN
RAHRS



LAUREN
REDMAN



CHRISTINA
RHODES



DREW
RODINE



BRENT
SCHERER



DANIELLE
SNEED



KELLI
STEVENS



ASHLEY
STROBEL



HALEY
STROMBER



AMBER
SWANSON



CANDICE
SWEDENBURG



CHRIS
THORNTON



CHRIS
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CLASS OF 2007

10th Grade



FRANKIE
ANDERSON



NIC
BECK



JUSTIN
BLASE



JESSICA
BRAASCH



EMILY
BUHR



MEGAN
BURRUSS



MEGAN
CARSON



HEATHER
CHURCH



KEVIN
CHURCH



NICOLE
DAVIS



LOGAN
GLASSER



SKYE
HEJTMANEK



TRAVIS
KUHN



TREVOR
LABARGE



HANA
LINDBURG



CODY
MEANS



DILLON
NIELSEN



TRENT
NORQUEST



RYAN
RATHJEN



ISAAC
SAMUELSON



TODD
SCHULZE



KYLIE
SHOUP



KENDRA
STEVENS



GARRISON
SWANSON



THOMAS
THIES



TARA
TONNIGES



TRAVIS
VEGA

CLASS OF 2008

9th Grade



JONELLA
YRKOSKI



MATTHEW
ANDERSON



ANTHONY
BECK



MARCUS
BENDER



KARLIE
BLASE



DENISE
CARLSTROM



CALEB
CHURCH



ERIN
DAVIS



JOSEPH
DITLOFF



JESSE
DUBAS



BROOKE
ENGEL



GRANT
FRIESEN



NICHOLAS
GUSTAFSON



SARAH
HAMMOND



AMANDA
HANQUIST



NATE
HOFFMAN



KYLE
HOHNHOLT



SCOTT
HOLTORF



HILARY
KORTUM



MATTHEW
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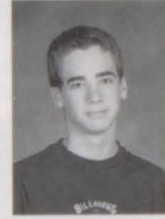
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RODINE



TREVOR
SCHNABEL



SARAH
STANIEC



SEAN
STEINKE



LACEY
STROMBERG



BRITTANY
SWANSON



ALISON
VEBURG



TALUS
VEST



CLETE
VRBKA



MICHAEL
WAGONER



RYAN
WILLIAMS



DANIKA
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MARY
ZIEMBA

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The boys get dressed up for a VB Game. Don't they look sexy?



Todd Schulze shows us the best way to use a badminton racket. Nice form Todd.



Erin Davis, Jessie Shotkoski, and John Lindgren perform in the play.



A new back board had to be put up in the gym. I'm sure all these people were willing participants.

The High Plains staff works very hard to make this school district a great atmosphere for the students. From the board members to the administration, the teachers, and the non-certified staff, everyone does a job beyond the minimum that is required to have a successful school. It takes lots of time to have the school ready and working for the students everyday. We have a great school district and all the building are in good shape.

We lost two individuals this year to retirement. Mike Lind and Annette Branting decided they had put in enough years of work and wanted to take some much needed R&R. Kelly Potter, high school English, left to pursue graduate school. Thanks to everyone for the job you do.



Mrs. Beck giving directions to one of the 4th graders before they plant flowers for Arbor Day activities.



Marla Glasser working here in the library, but she fills many shoes for the district. She drives bus, works with the preschool children, coaches, and helps out in both libraries.



Mr. Vrbka giving one of his inspiring pep talks. He gets very excited about his sports and tries to get it to rub off on the kids.



Cletus Arasmith
Principal



Karol Bankson-Recknor
Speech Pathologist



Teri Beck
4th Grade



Vickie Beck
Computers/Media



Karen Benner
Reading/English



Becky Carlstrom
Aide



Barb Church
Secretary



Linda Gilson
FCS



Marla Glasser
Aide



Dennis Gray
Superintendent



Janna Gustafson
Aide



Peg Holtorf
Special Education



Cameron Hudson
Social Studies/Math



Holly Hudson
Kindergarten



Dorla Lindburg
3rd Grade



Fran Lott
Art



Norm Manstedt
Physical Education



Leigh Metcalf
Spanish



Steve Meyer
Physical Education



Linda Necker
Custodian



Keith Nielson
Vocational Agriculture



Deb Ueckert
1st Grade



Lea Veburg
Aide



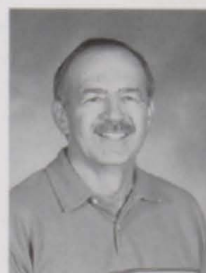
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Math/Computers



Andy Vrbka
Social Studies



Jodie Vrbka
Secretary



Don Walford
Business



Donna Werner
Custodians

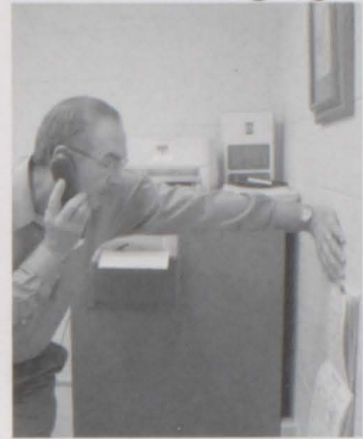
Administration & Staff



We had a changing of the school board in January. Board members for the 2004-2005 year were: back row: Gregg Fowler, David Beck, Kurt Kuhn, Brian Samualson. front row: Linda Yrkoski, Becky VanHousen, Karen Stevens, Wendy Hudson. Not pictured: Jamie Beck



Jodie Vrbka, the high school secretary, says "don't bother me, I'm busy".



Don Walford, the athletic director checking the calendar to see if the schedule is correct.



Mike Cotter
Science



Harry Cunningham
Guidance Counselor



Rod Drews
Music/Band



Angie Eberle
Special Education



Cheryl Fowler
Secretary



Darlene Fowler
Cook



Anne Garrett
English/Math



Sharon Johnson
Cook



LeAnn Karmann
Title I



Keith Killion
Social Studies/Art



Dianne L'Heureux
4th Grade



Kelly Lesiak
2nd Grade



Karyee LeSuer
Principal



Mike Lind
5th Grade



James Pekarek
Science



Loretta Pollard
Aide



Kelly Potter
English



Sherry Quick
Cook



Laura Ryan
Mathematics



Laura Senff
Kindergarten



Elizabeth Sizer
3rd Grade



Diane Wiese
Title I

Not Pictured

Dale Church, Custodian
Ilene Dearing, FCS
Linda Dittmer, Cook
Marjorie Johnson, Cook
Sandra Quiring, Music
Mary Truesdell, Cook



Annette Branting
Custodian at Clarks
for the last 20 plus years
retired on March 24, 2005.
Thank you.



Mike Lind decided to retire
from teaching this year. He had
taught for the district his entire
career which was 28 years.



At an inservice meeting, Sandra
Quiring, Angie Eberle, Peg Holtorf,
and Pat Vest discuss the issues.



Fall Division

Volleyball
Football
Softball
Homecoming
One-Act Play



SERVIN EM' UP & SLAMMIN EM' DOWN

For the High Plains Storm volleyball team the 2004 season was a success. The team grew together winning 10 games in a very tough conference. "I was happy with our season," said Coach Hudson. "We improved on our play each game and won some big matches." A few of the team's goals this season were to concentrate on serving, being aggressive at the net, and communication.

Year end stats showed Corinna Vrbka leading in serving with 95.5% and Meghan Hammond leading the team in aces with 30. Meghan Hammond led the team in kills with 137 followed by Morgan Comer with 115, Heather Klingsporn with 109, and Heidi Hanquist with 100. Morgan Comer led the Storm in blocking with 121 blocks and 21 ace blocks. Meghan Hammond came in second with 101. Lauren Redman led in assists with 276 and also in digs with 312, while followed by Heidi Hanquist and Heather Klingsporn with 282 and 244 respectively. As a team the High Plains Storm had 496 kills, 340 blocks (62 ace blocks), and 128 ace serves this season.

The biggest highlight of the volleyball season was a victory over state qualifier Exeter-Milligan. The final record for the Storm was 10-12.



Lauren Redman showing us the setting stance.



Kendra Stevens going for the dig.



Heidi Hanquist serving.



Heather Klingsporn, Corinna Vrbka, Lauren Redman, Meghan Hammond, Heidi Hanquist, & Kendra Stevens in a group huddle after getting a block.



Above: Morgan Comer swinging away while playing Nebr. Lutheran



Morgan Comer and Corinna Vrbka giving their volleyball speeches at a pep rally.

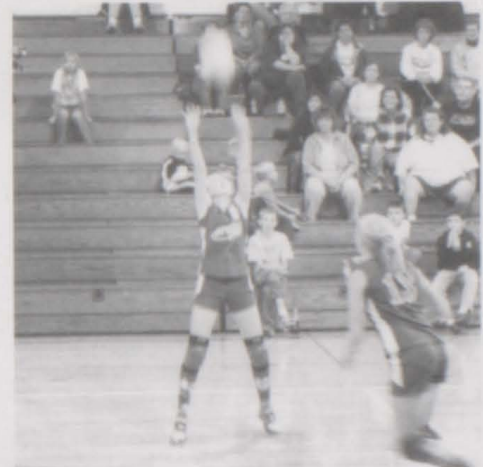
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1	NE Christian	3
2	Palmer	1
2	Cedar Rapids	0
2	East Butler	0
1	Sutton	2
2	St. Edward	1
2	Lindsay Holy Fam.	0
1	Dorchester	3
2	Rising City	0
0	McCool Junction	0
1	Meridian	2
0	Hampton	2
1	Shickley	2
2	Heartland Luth.	0
2	Clay Center	1
2	Exeter Milligan	0
2	NE Lutheran	0
0	Osceola	2
2	Greeley-Wolback	3
Final Record 10-12		



Left: Junior middle hitter **Meghan Hammond** showing us how it's done.



Below: Senior captains **Corinna Vrbka** and **Morgan Comer**.



Above: **Kylie Shoup** sets the ball during the jv tournament at HPC.

Left: Team group picture.

Back Row: Coach Holly Hudson, Sarah Hammond, Karlie Blase, Amanda Hanquist, Denise Carlstrom, Brooke Engel, Coach Laura Senff

Middle Row: Emily Buhr, Skye Hejtmanek, Megan Carson, Heather Church, Tara Tonniges, Kylie Shoup, Kendra Stevens, Frankie Anderson

Front Row: Meghan Hammond, Lauren Redman, Morgan Comer, Corinna Vrbka, Heidi Hanquist, Heather Klingsporn



Above: **Heather Klingsporn** passes the ball during the HPC vs. Osceola game.

Left: **Tara Tonniges** goes up for the kill.

Right: **Lauren Redman** was named CRC, All-Heartland, and All-State Honorable Mention for volleyball.



Football

Right: **Travis Kuhn** (21) runs away from a Nebraska Lutheran defender for another touchdown.



The defense gets ready to pound Mead into meat.



Above: **Brett Kuhn** celebrates after a touchdown against Hampton.

Left: A group of defensive players lining up for the next play.



The offense huddles up and gets ready to call a play again Nebraska Lutheran.

Scoreboard

HP	68	Hampton	21
HP	20	Leigh	22
HP	34	NE Luth.	20
HP	14	Cedar Bluffs	22
HP	34	Palmer	36
HP	52	Mead	12
HP	28	NE Christian	14
HP	6	Shelby	42

Final Record 4-4

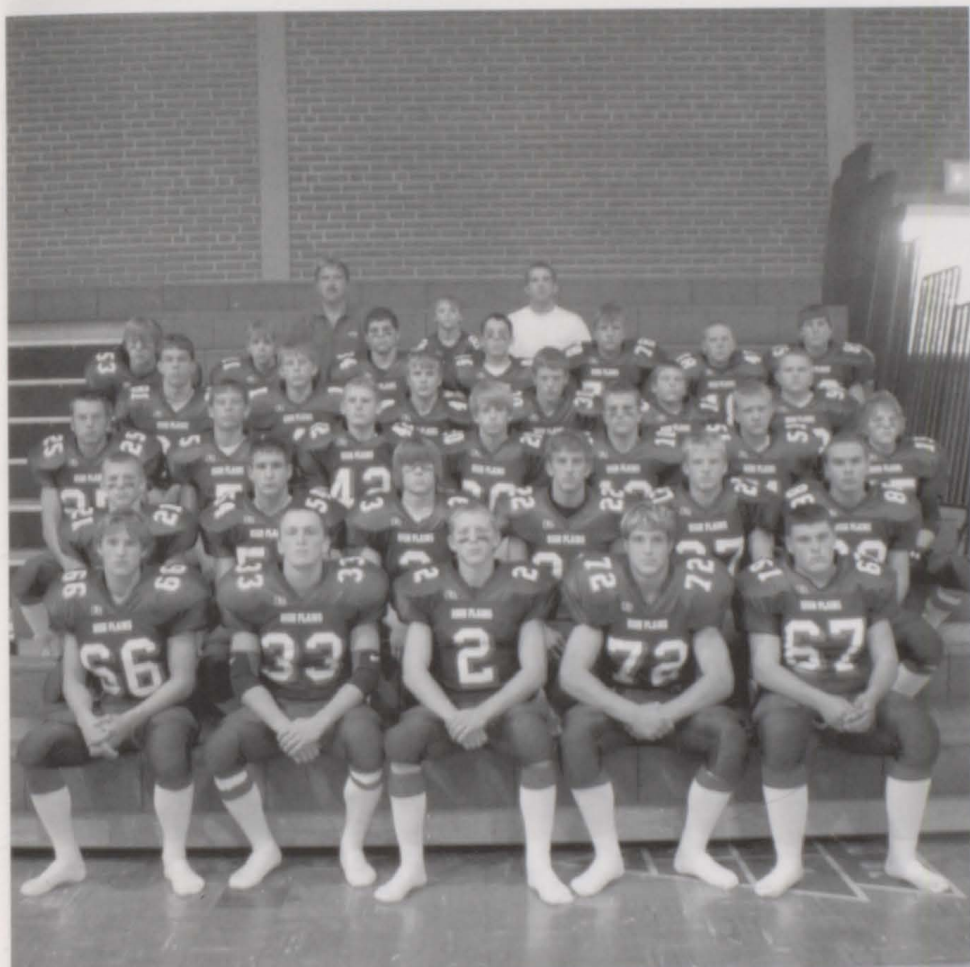


Levi Lindburg says "kick it to me, I dare you."

This years football team finished at a respectable 4-4. "I was very pleased with how the season went" coach Vrbka said. "I wish we could have made playoffs and we had our chances but I had some good leaders in this senior class and a very dedicated group of kids from 12th grade on down to 9th."

Even though the team was 4-4 they were in every game except the last one losing 3 games by a total of 12 points.

Looking back there are a few highlights I would like to point out. Levi Lindburg's great catch right before half during the Mead game. Brett Kuhn taking a quarterback sneak 67 yards for a touchdown. Travis Kuhn scoring the game winning touchdown at Nebraska Lutheran. Brick hands Chris Ziemba catching 2 touchdown passes against Mead. With only 5 graduating seniors great things are sure to come in the years ahead.

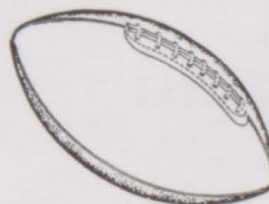


First row: Chris Fowler, Levi Lindburg, Brett Kuhn, Dustin Meyer, Dustin Kufeldt. Second row: Travis Kuhn, Josh Gustafson, Josh Hudson, Drew Rodine, Chris Ziemba, Brent Scherer. Third row: Ryan Rathjen, Isaac Samuelson, Garrison Swanson, Logan Glasser, Justin Blase, Justin Blase, Trent Norquest, Thomas Thies. Fourth row: Marcus Bender, Caleb Church, Jesse Dubas, Joe Ditloff, Nate Hoffman, Anthony Beck. Fifth row: Derek Rodine, Garrett Reimers, Mike Wagoner, Clete Vrbka, Kyle Hohnholt, Jeremiah Reynier, Nick Gustafson. Sixth row: Head Coach Andy Vrbka, Student Managers Daniel Thies, Assistant Coach Camerson Hudson. Not pictured: Trent Tonniges.



Post season Honors were won by:

Chris Ziemba 2nd team All-District Defensive End;
Travis Kuhn 2nd team All-District Linebacker;
Dustin Meyer All-District 2nd team Guard;
Drew Rodine All-District Honorable Mention Defensive Back; **Levi Lindburg** All-District 1st team Offensive End, 2nd team Linebacker, Heartland Super Squad 2nd team Offensive End, All-Area York News Times, All-State Honorable Mention-Lincoln Journal Star, Associated Press, Omaha World Herald;
Brett Kuhn 1st team All-District Quarterback 2nd team Linebacker, Heartland Super Squad 1st team Quarterback, All-Area Co-Captain York News Times, All-State Honorable Mention-Lincoln Journal Star, Associated Press, Omaha World Herald.



On The Diamond

The High Plains softball team started the season off with a first year softball coach, Norm Manstedt. They had high hopes of making it to the state tournament and even though things didn't turn out quite like they had hoped, they were still pleased with the season's results.

The Storm finished the season with seven wins and thirteen losses with two of those losses coming back to back in the district tournament. One of the biggest obstacles that stood in their way was the ability to hit the ball past the defense.

Samantha Dubas led the team in hitting with a .416 average, followed by Kristin Opfer who finished with a .389 batting average. Jonella Yrkoski led the team in hits with 35 while Erin Hammond had the only home run of the season for the Lady Storm.

Coach Manstedt expects big things from the upcoming seniors next year. They plan to improve themselves by hitting the weight room so they will be able to compete with more strength and endurance.



Before the game, the team gathers up for a huddle.



Post Season Honors:

- Samantha Dubas** -All-State Honorable Mention-Lincoln Journal Star
-All-State Honorable Mention-Omaha World Herald
- Jonella Yrkoski** -All-State Honorable Mention-Omaha World Herald
- Kristin Opfer** -All-State Honorable Mention-Lincoln Journal Star
-All-State Honorable Mention-Omaha World Herald



Ashley Strobel, Ashley Tedford, Kristin Opfer, Kayla Beck, Holly Engel, and Samantha Dubas pose for the camera.

2004-2005 Lady Storm Softball Team



Back: Coach Norm Manstedt, Sarah Staniec, Alison Veburg, Mary Ziemba, Kayla Beck, Danika Wirrick, Jonella Yrkoski, Ashley Strobel, Hana Lindburg, Jane Hansen, Erin Hammond, Christina Rhodes, Asst. Coach Todd Gardner. Front: Ashley Tedford, Samantha Dubas, Holly Engel, Kristin Opfer, Candice Swedenburg, Kelli Stevens.

SCOREBOARD

HPC	School	OPP.
0	Fillmore Central	8
2	Thayer Central	3
10	Cross County	8
2	Boone Central	4
0	Wayne	5
6	Cross County	4
1	GINW	11
4	Aurora	10
14	Wilber Claytonia	2
5	David City	16
5	Twin River	7
7	Adams Central	8
2	Aurora	16
16	Thayer Central	0
9	Twin River	1
7	Adams Central	0
1	Wahoo	4
10	Cross County	8
2	Cross County	5
0	David City	4

Final Records:

Varsity: 7-13

JV: 3-7



Alison Veburg ready for a grounder.



Samantha Dubas blowing smoke.



Nice catch Kelli Stevens!



Candice Swedenburg gets ready to lay down a bunt.



The Seniors give their speeches at a pep rally.



Senior Holly Engel anxiously waiting for the pitch.



Senior Kristin Opfer ready to field the ball at first base.



Jonella Yrkoski warming up before the game.



Mary Ziemba focuses on pitching a strike.

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Homecoming

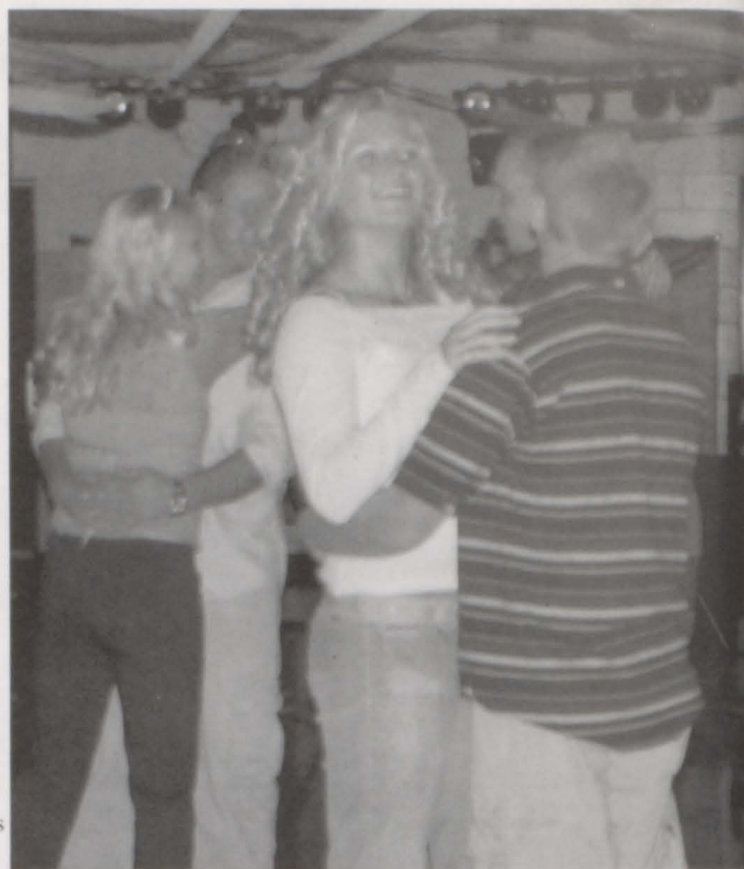
Homecoming was celebrated during the week of September 20th-24th. The staff and student body showed their school spirit by dressing up during the week. Monday was Pajama Day, Tuesday was Nerd Day, Wednesday was Defeat Day, Thursday was Formal/Hawaiian Day, and Friday was Red, White, and Blue Day.

The dance was held Friday night after the football game against Cedar Bluffs. The theme was "Time of your Life". Everyone had a fun time dancing and participating in the week's events.



Nicole Davis, Prudence Page, and Jessica Shotkoski take time from dancing to smile for the camera.

Right: The homecoming royalty dances the first dance of the night.



Derek Rodine, Josh Hudson, Justin Blase, and Ashley Strobel throw their arms up during the YMCA.



Homecoming Royalty: Back Row: 2nd Attendants Holly Engel and Brett Kuhn, 2003 King and Queen Jesse Hammond and Sadie Church, 1st Attendants Corinna Vrbka and Levi Lindburg. Front Row: Crownbearer Buck Church, 2004 Queen and King Samantha Dubas and Dustin Kufeldt, Crownbearer Paige Swanson.

Right: Megan Carson, Heather Church, Ashley Tedford, and Candice Swedenburg strut their stuff out on the dance floor.



time of your Life

Left: Alison Veburg and Brooke Engel laugh as they dress Marcus Bender during a lunchroom game.



The senior football players give a speech at the bonfire as they get ready to set the wildcat into flames.



Drew Rodine shows off the nerd within.



Mandy Hanquist, Brooke Engel, Heather Klingsporn, and Corinna Vrbka show off their dresses for Formal/Hawaiian Day.

Below: Students show off their spirit by dressing up for Defeat Day.



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Homecoming 29

One-Act Play

This year's production of *The Orphan Train*, was very successful. They took first at CRC in Giltner and third at Districts in Stromsburg. CRC superior acting awards were given to Christina Rhodes, Chris Fowler, Vinny Bittinger, and Kayla Beck. District superior awards were given to Kayla Beck and Erin Davis.

They performed the play for the community in November on two nights and also gave a performance to the students during school one day.

The directors Karol Bankson-Recknor and Dorla Lindburg do a good job with the large cast and crew they work with each year. The number of students involved is great to see.

Congratulations on a very successful year!



Evie (Meghan Carson) tries to convince Emily (Hana Lindburg) that she can be 'a lady'.



Front row: Megan Carson, Kayla Beck, Chris Fowler, Vinny Bittinger, John Lindgren, Drew Rodine, Laura Garey, Hana Lindburg, Kyle Hohnholt. Middle row: Whitney Flinn, Director Karol Bankson-Recknor, Casey Sneed, Erin Davis, Jessica Shotkoski, Tiffany Swanson, David Oliver, Christina Rhodes, Trevor Schnabel, Garrison Swanson, Josh Hudson, Justin Blase, Kyle Hohnholt, Haley Stromberg, Tiffany Kowalski, Thomas Tasler, Director Dorla Lindburg. Back row: Nic Beck, Brent Scherer, Brandon Bankson, Chris Ziemba.

Cast

Kayla Beck.....Mary
Christina Rhodes...Mrs. Herndon
Thomas Tasler.....Mr. William
Casey Sneed.....Frank/Frankie
Trevor Schnabel....Henry
Laura Garey.....Hannah
David Oliver.....Raymond
Nic Beck.....Carnival Barker
Megan Carson.....Evie
Garrison Swanson..James
Hana Lindburg.....Emily
Vinny Bittenger.....Lucky
Whitney Flinn.....Disgusted Woman

Kyle Honholt.....Orphan Administrator
Christina Rhodes....Pageen
Josh Hohnholt.....Daffy Old Man
Haley Stromberg...Teacher
Brent Scherer.....Harvey
Chris Fowler.....Danny
Casey Sneed.....Star Struck Woman
Jessica Shotkoski..Annie
Erin Davis.....Little Lucy
Tiffany Kowalski..Society Woman
Drew Rodine.....Orphan Boy
Chris Ziemba.....Cop

Crew

Justin Blase
Brandon Bankson
Josh Hudson

Above right: **Whitney Flinn**, the disgusted woman, complains about Lucky (**Vinny Bittenger**) and his pick pocketing habit to **Kyle Hohnholt**, the orphan administrator.



Above: Annie (**Jessi Shotkoski**) comforts Little Lucy (**Erin Davis**).

Left: Mary (**Kayla Beck**) sits in the cellar alone, all night.

Below: The directors were **Dorla Lindburg** and **Karol Bankson-Recknor**.



The star characters, the orphans and the cop. Back row: Chris Ziemba, Megan Carson, Chris Fowler, Casey Sneed, Vinny Bittenger, Kayla Beck, David Oliver. Front row: Drew Rodine, Jessica Shotkoski, Erin Davis, Christina Rhodes.



Above: Pageen (**Christina Rhodes**) squirts art paint all over Harvey's (**Brent Scherer**) face.
Far right: Hannah (**Laura Garey**) has a few comments for the orphan Frank (**Casey Sneed**).
Right: Hannah (**Laura Garey**) and Henry (**Trevor Schnabel**) discuss taking the orphan Frank or Frankie.



Winter Division

Wrestling
Girls Basketball
Boys Basketball
Cheerleaders
Student Council
Speech



Picking Them Up & Slamming Them Down

Wrestling

The wrestling team had a great year with 2 wrestlers in brothers Travis and Brett Kuhn qualifying for the state meet in Lincoln. Others returning for another year were Chris Fowler, Nic Beck and Thomas Thies. Four freshman joined the team along with newcomer Thomas Tassler who gained some valuable experience this year. Two seniors will be lost due to graduation, but the eight returning for next year will provide good leadership.

Travis Kuhn lead the team in most wins, with 34, followed by Brett Kuhn with 31. Most takedowns were by the two Kuhn brothers, having 68 and most pins were Travis and Nic Beck with, 14 and 13 respectively. Chris Fowler lead in most reversals, 22, and most escapes, 37.

As a team, the Storm wrestlers scored 896 points while giving up 1,132 leading to a season record of 172-209.

Scoreboard

Omaha North - 12th

Nebraska Duels - 8th

Wahoo Invite - 8th

High Plains Invite - 13th

Cross County Invite - 6th

High Plains Quad - 1st

Mullen Invite - 6th

Valley Invite - 6th

Turkey Creek Invite - 3rd

Districts - 11th



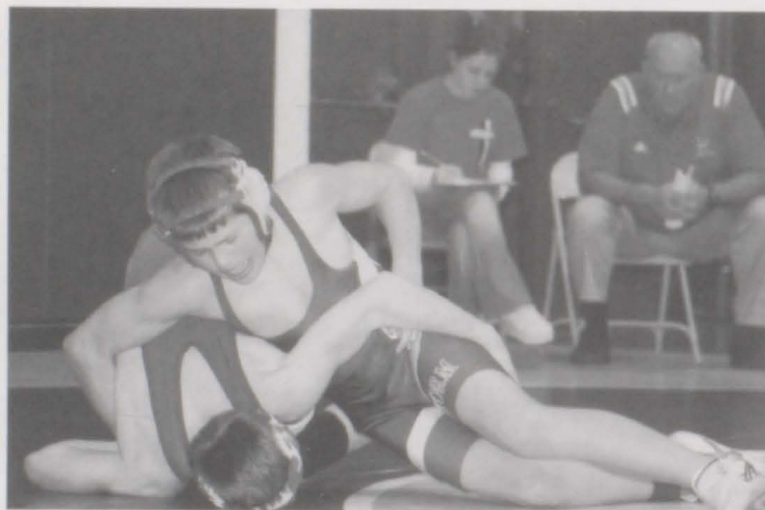
Standing: Chris Fowler, Caleb Church, Thomas Tassler, Brett Kuhn, Clete Vrbka, Mike Wagoner, Coach Norm Manstedt, Sitting: St. Manager Ahshley Tedford, Jeremiah Reyner, Travis Kuhn, Nic Beck, Nate Hoffman, Thomas Thies, St. Manager Ashley Strobel. Not pictured: Asst. Coach Scott Strobel.



Clete Vrbka tries to shuck and spin to take down his Palmer opponent.



Thomas Tassler shows his elation after winning his first match as a High Plains wrestler.



Nate Hoffman shoots for the half in order to pin his opponent.



Mike Wagoner grabs an opponent's ankle to try to break him down.

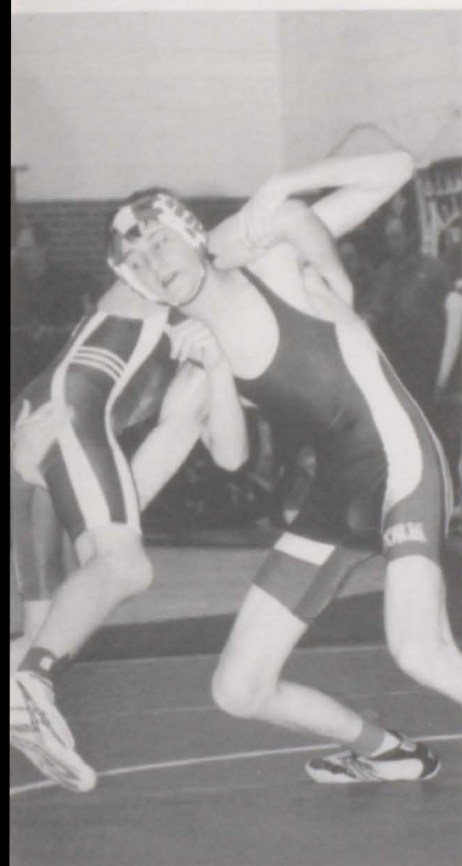
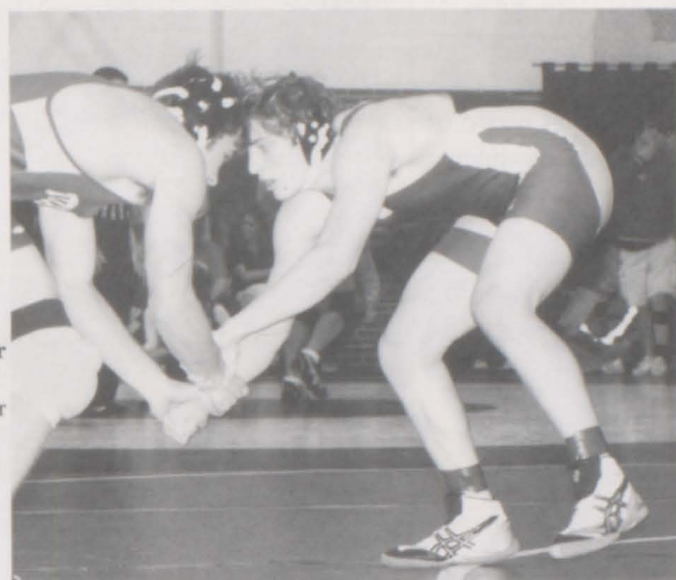


Travis Kuhn gets his medal at the state meet. He wrestled into Saturday morning and got 5th. Way to go Travis.

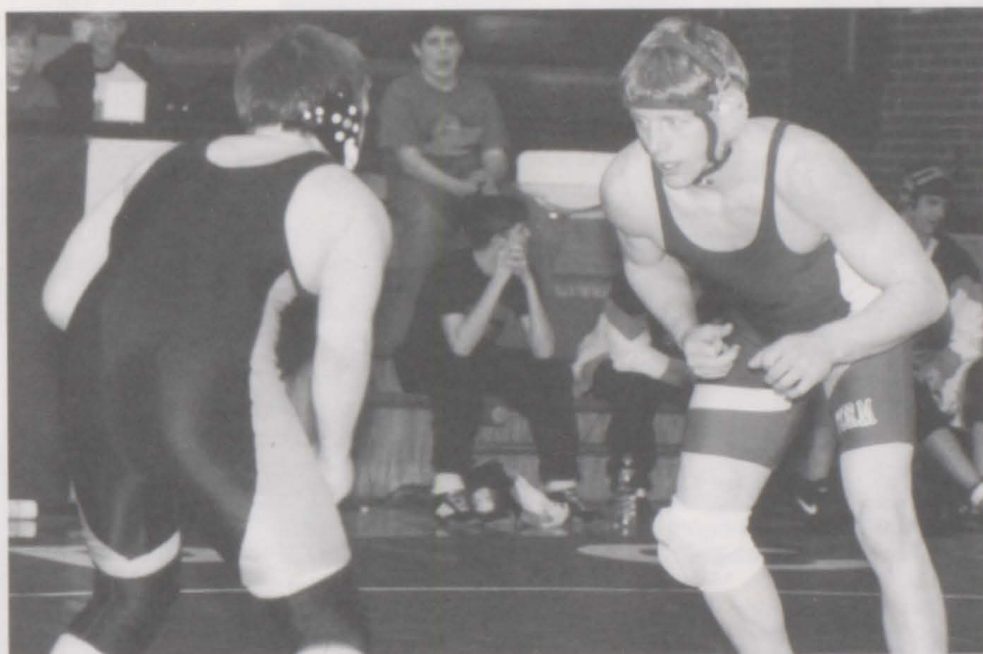


Right: **Chris Fowler** gets his arms tied against a Greeley-Wolbach opponent.

Left: **Jeremiah Reyner** shows the pain and suffering every wrestler must endure.



Nick Beck performs a textbook perfect firmens carry on a Bennington opponent at the High Plains Invite.



Brett Kuhn dances around his opponen from Mcool Junction looking for the right opportunity to shoot a takedown.

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This year was a much more rewarding year for the High Plains lady Storm basketball team. The final record on the year was 6-14. The junior varsity ended with a 6-3 record. There were 15 girls on the team including four seniors, three juniors, two sophomores, and six freshman. "The girls improved throughout the season and played the best ball towards the end of the schedule," said Coach Vrbka.

Statistically this year Samantha Dubas was the Storm's leader. She finished with 231 points, hit 59 of 105 free throws, and grabbed 71 rebounds. Heather Klingsporn scored 93 points and had 54 rebounds followed by Meghan Hammond with 62 points and 85 rebounds, Erin Hammond with 59 points and 82 rebounds, Holly Engel with 57 points and 98 rebounds, Kendra Stevens with 55 points and 45 rebounds, and Corinna Vrbka with 25 points and 71 rebounds. There were also a few younger girls who stepped up so there should be plenty of experience on the team next year. Overall the girls felt very close as a team because they were able to play with underclassmen as well as upperclassmen.



Erin Hammond shows us her dribbling skills.



Above: Corinna Vrbka bring the ball down the court.



Left: Samantha Dubas and Brooke Engel on a fast break making their way up the floor.



Amanda Hanquist, Alison Veburg, and Denise Carlstrom playing on offense during a JV game.



Samantha Dubas was awarded the following post season basketball awards. CRC Honorable Mention, All-Heartland Honorable Mention, All-Nebraska Honorable Mention, All-State Honorable Mention, and will play in the CRC/Goldenrod All-Star Game and the Columbus Telegram All-Star Game.



Above: Meghan Hammond and Holly Engel fight some Shickley girls for the rebound.

Below: The girls huddle up after introductions are made. No tells what is said during this time.



Erin Hammond and Holly Engel have a new tactic of sandwiching the other teams players!

Girls Basketball

Lady Storm

Storm Scoreboard

HPC		OPP
21	Meridian	41
13	Osceola	48
40	Palmer	38
24	Hampton	32
38	NE Christian	40
49	Rising City	14
22	Elgin	35
48	Rising City	12
26	NE Lutheran	55
30	Dorchester	62
32	McCool	53
27	Giltner	38
12	Exeter-Milligan	68
45	Rising City	3
34	Exeter-Milligan	73
20	Cross County	79
36	Clay Center	22
38	Heartland Lutheran	22
32	Shickley	49
29	Spalding	64
Final Record 6-14		



Back Row: Coach Andy Vrbka, Alison Veburg, Brooke Engel, Denise Carlstrom, Sarah Hammond, Coach Holly Hudson.
Middle Row: Mary Ziemba, Hana Lindburg, Erin Hammond, Meghan Hammond, Kendra Stevens, Heather Klingsporn, Amanda Hanquist.
Front Row: Jane Hansen, Corinna Vrbka, Samantha Dubas, Holly Engel.



Above: Meghan Hammond, Holly Engel, Kendra Stevens, and Samantha Dubas line up for an out of bounds play.



Holly Engel trying to box out so she can get the pass while Heather Klingsporn waits impatiently at the top of the key.



Brooke Engel shooting outside the lane.



Right: Heather Klingsporn making her arms big so there is no chance for the defense to get a steal.



The senior players give their words of encouragement during a pep rally.

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Boys Basketball



Denny Schlund giving good defense.



Back row: Head Coach Cameron Hudson, Josh Hudson, Denny Schlund, Levi Lindburg, Brent Zoucha, Marcus Bender, Derek Rodine, Joe Ditloff, Asst. Coach Todd Gardner. Middle row: Vinny Bittinger, Drew Rodine, Chris Ziemba, Brandon Bankson, Talus Vest, Nicholas Gustafson, Matt Lampshire, Matthew Anderson, Trent Norquest. Front row: Nate Anderson, Justin Blase, Issac Samuleson, Jesse Dubas, Logan Glasser, Todd Schulze, Josh Hohnholt, Student Manager Nick Rodine.



Above: Levi Lindburg, Brent Zoucha, Denny Schlund, Nate Anderson, and Vinny Bittinger look pretty for the assembly. They were good sports and took part in the skit the cheerleaders planned.

Right: Coach Hudson reacting to what is happening on the court.



Drew Rodine makes a attempt to steal the ball from the opposing team.

The basketball team had strong senior leadership, from Levi Lindburg, Brent Zoucha, Nate Anderson, Vinny Bittinger, and Denny Schlund. Although all these seniors didn't see the playing time they would have wanted, they showed what it took to dedicate yourself to the sport.

Good outside shooting ability, team unity, and depth-- lots of depth was a way to describe this basketball team. The end result was a 17-5 campaign featuring a line-up that often had 10 players in the scoring column. Zoucha led the way with 299 points, followed by Lindburg with 229 and Hudson with 201. As a team, the storm averaged 55.6 points while allowing the opponent an average of 47.2. They out rebounded the opponents 845 to 603. Nice job this season boys.



I think I can I think I can! as Justin Blase goes down the court.



Brent Zoucha making a great pass.



Post Season Honors for Josh Hudson
CRC honorable mention, All-Nebraska
honorable mention.



Todd Schulze passes the ball to one of his team mates.

Scoreboard

HPC		OPP
44	Meridian	32
65	Osceola	46
63	Palmer	33
56	Hampton	54
64	NE Christian	43
60	Rising City	50
69	Elgin	49
57	Cedar Rapids	56
49	NE Lutheran	50
51	Dorchester	44
67	McCool	55
41	Exeter-Milligan	47
66	Rising City	51
46	Exeter-Milligan	47
52	Hampton	50
63	Cross County	48
51	Clay Center	68
67	Heartland Lutheran	60
63	Shickley	29
52	Giltner	30
50	Greeley/Wolbach	35
49	Spald/Spald Ac	57

Final Record 17-5



Post Season Honors for Levi Lindburg
CRC 1st Team, Play in the CRC/
Goldenrod, All-Star game, All-Heartland
honorable mention, All-Nebraska
honorable mention, All-Area 1st team.



Left: Levi Lindburg switches it up on the opponent .



Post season honors for Brent Zoucha
CRC 1st Team, Play in the CRC/
Goldenrod All-Star game, All-Heartland
honorable mention, All-Nebraska
honorable mention, All-State honorable
mention, and All-Area 1st team.

Rah-Rah

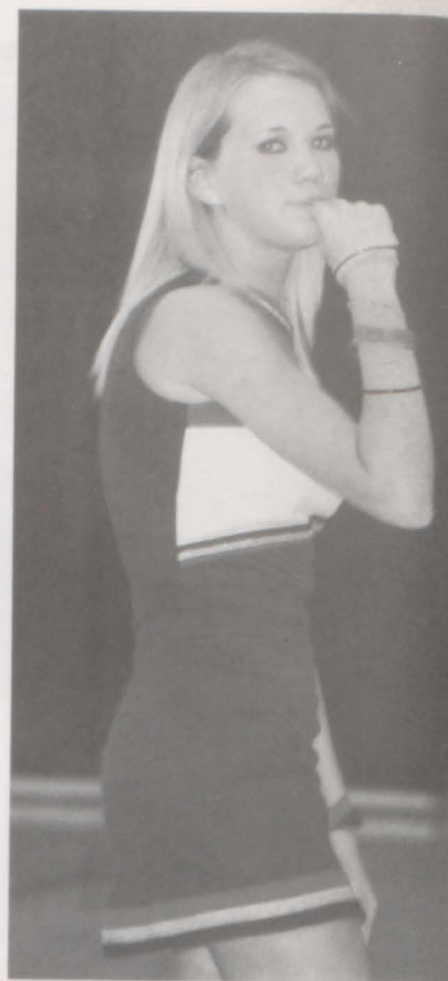
Sis-boom-bah

Cheerleading

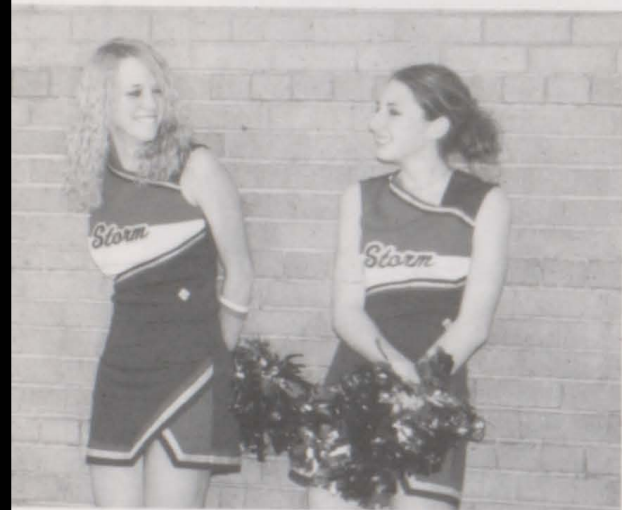
The cheerleading squad was made up of Emily Buhr, Heather Church, Kylie Shoup, Tara Tonniges, Skye Hejtmanek and Frankie Anderson. They had their hands full with cheering at football games, basketball games and wrestling meets. They promoted school spirit by making locker tags and posters to display throughout the school.

Homecoming is their big event for the year. They carefully planned all the activities prior to homecoming; organizing all the games that were played at lunch during the week, planning the bonfire pep rally and working very hard at beautifully decorating the gym for the dance. They are to also plan the All-Activities night festivities. The program is put together by their sponsor, Laurie Ryan and she also takes charge of getting the tables and food ready, with the help of the other coaches.

The group had to deal with the loss of Frankie before the winter sports season started and Skye during the year. They handled these events in a stressful way but made it finishing the year in one piece.



Tara Tonniges looks to see if she is the doing the cheer right at a basketball game.



Tara Tonniges and Kylie Shoup giggle at an inside side joke while they should be cheering.



The girls caught in action at the CRC basketball tournament.



The Cheerleading Squad: Standing; Emily Buhr, Tara Tonniges, Kylie Shoup. Kneeling; Frankie Anderson. Laying; Skye Hejtmanek, Heather Church.



The cheerleaders show their spirit by cheering at an away football game.
GO STORM!!!



Frankie Anderson cheering at a pep rally.



Heather Church shows that million dollar smile while yelling at a basketball game.



The storm cheerleaders urge on one of the storm wrestlers at the High Plains Invite.



Tara Tonniges and Emily Buhr show us how to really groove while
Kylie Shoup and Heather Church stand back and watch.



The cheerleaders plan all the pep rallies throughout the year. At one of the pep rallies planned for the girls, the boys dressed up and took part in the skit.

STUDENT COUNCIL



Samantha Dubas, Holly Engel, Heather Klingsporn, and Candice Swedenburg working diligently decorating for the student council dance.



Above: **Todd Schultze** announcing during the High Plains Middle School basketball tournament.



Right: Everyone enjoys dancing to the YMCA song at the dance.

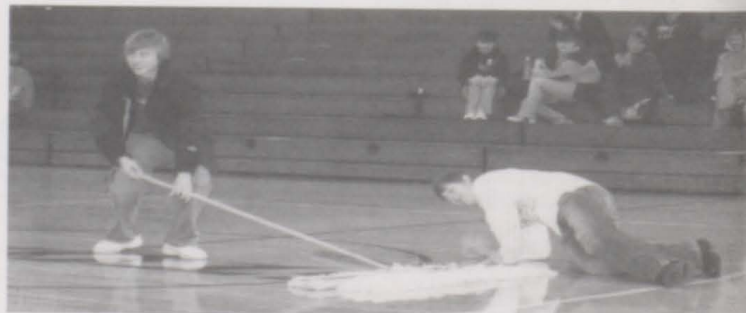


Josh Hudson, Nic Beck, and Brandon Bankson conducting a student council meeting.



Back row: Hana Lindburg, Trevor Schnabel, Clete Vrbka, Drew Rodine, Macus Bender, Talus Vest, Jesse Dubas, Brandon Bankson, Caleb Church, Josh Hudson. Middle row: Kylie Shoup, Tara Tonniges, Corinna Vrbka, Casey Sneed, Nate Hoffman, Sami Danklesen, Kayla Beck, Laura Garey. Front row: Holly Engel, Samantha Dubas, Nic Beck, Candice Swedenburg, Justin Blase.

Right: **Todd Schultze & Derek Rodine** sweep the floor during the jr. high basketball tournament. They were having fun, doing so in low motion to a song in the background, and when they ran into each other Derek fell to the floor.





Some of the sophomore girls getting jiggy with it at the St. Patrick's Day Dance!

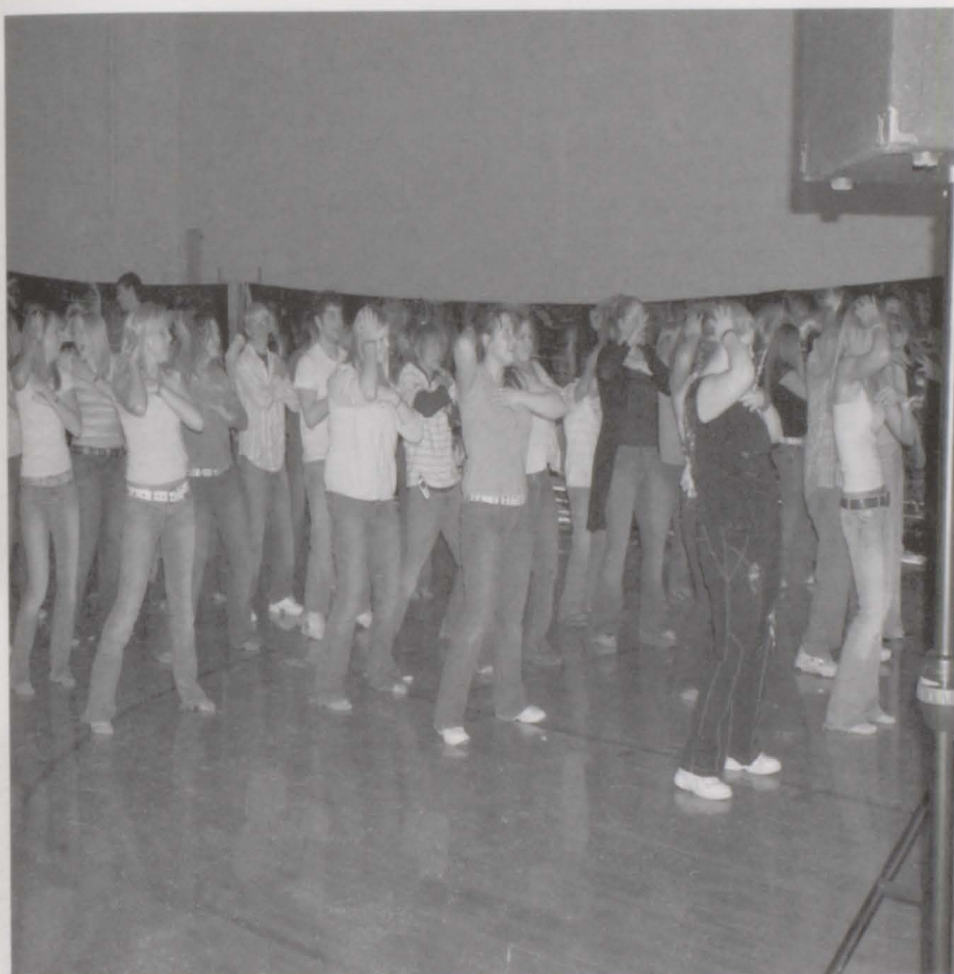


Ashley Tedford & Corinna Vrbka decorating for the St. Patrick's Day Dance.

The High Plains Community Student Council does a lot around the school that nobody realizes. These members are responsible for filling the pop machines in each building. A couple of members take time out of their study halls to get this job done. The group also provides pop for the students on the last day of school for the hot dog lunch. Some other bottles get out when other odd jobs are done by willing students throughout the year.

The middle school basketball tournament is sponsored by the student council. This two day event held on two weekends is a busy time for members. They also sponsored a St. Patrick's Day dance this year.

They attended two meetings, Districts and State, this year. They are sponsored by Pat Vest.



A big group of students doing the macarina at the dance.



Students sitting in on one of the student council meeting that was held.

SPEECH

The High Plains speech team was made up of 12 students. Their coaches, Jean Blase and Kelly Potter, used their experience to improve the student's performances.

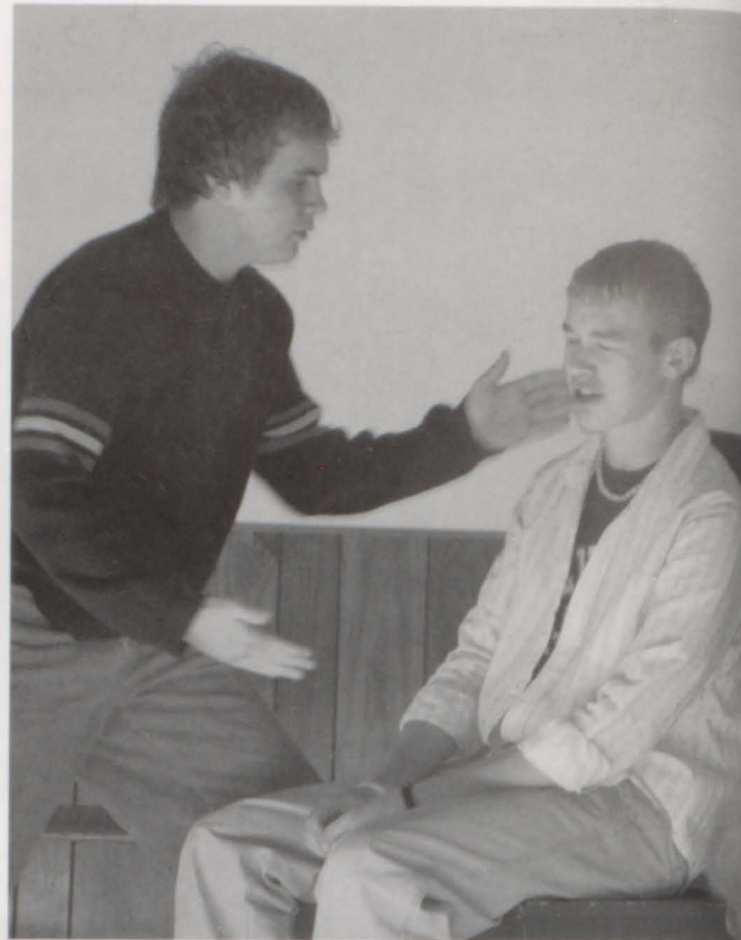
The meets they participated in included Osceola, Cedar Rapids, Ham-mer meet, CRC, Districts and State. Lots of good performance were awarded throughout their season. Christina Rhodes placed first at districts and was the only one to advance to state.

Most of their practices were held in the early mornings before school. The members of the speech team work hard to perform well at their meets.

All twelve team members lettered showing the dedication they put into being a part of the speech team.



Above: **Trevor Schnabel** tries to put some enthusiasm into his humorous prose speech.



Left: **Brent Scherer** and **Vinny Bittinger** perform their duet "The History of T.V.- Condensed."



Hana Lindberg practices her informative speech.



Above: OID group, **David Oliver**, **Christina Rhodes**, **John Lindgren**, **Whitney Flinn**, and **Josh Hohnholt**, performed 'As Sure As You're Born'.

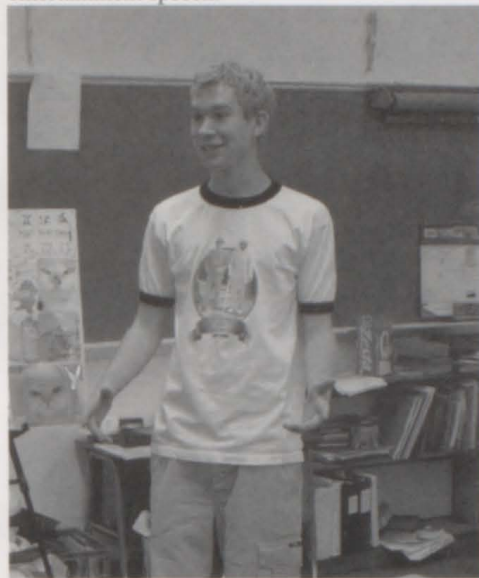
Right: **Chris Fowler** looking excited to perform his poetry.





Left: The speech group ate out after the state speech contest.

Below: **Vinny Bittinger** practices for his entertainment speech.



Below: **Josh Hohnholt** competed in extemporaneous. This is where you receive a topic and then have one hour to research and write a five minute speech.



Above: **Christina Rhodes** performed in humorous prose. She qualified for the state meet in Kearney.

Left: The Speech Team: back row: Whitney Flinn, Jessie Shotkoski, Brent Scherer, John Lindgren, Josh Hohnholt, Trevor Schnabel, Calvin Rahrs. middle row: Hana Lindberg, Chris Fowler, Christina Rhodes. front row: Vinny Bittinger. Not pictured: David Oliver.



Above: **Calvin Rahrs** stops to pose for the camera as he rehearses his persuasive speech.

Left: **Jessie Shotkoski** practices her serious prose speech before she makes her presentation.



Spring Division

**Boys & Girls Track
Golf**

Band / Chorus

FFA / FCCLA

NHS / Quiz Bowl

Yearbook / Close-Up

Work/Hobbies/Fun

Honors Night / Prom

Graduation



sprinting for the gold

Returning seniors and relay team try to take the state crown.

The boys track team had set some high goals for themselves coming into the season. With everyone returning along with several state medalists, the boys were primed for a state title run. Every one did well this year and as a team they did not place below second all year, until the state track meet. Many school records were broken and will more than likely stand for a long time.

They came home from the state meet with two gold medals, won by Drew Rodine in the triple jump and Levi Lindburg in the long jump.



Above: **Logan Glasser** gets a mouth full of sand after one of his leaps at the CRC Track Meet where he placed 3rd.

Far right: **Drew Rodine** begins his triple jump at the Central NE Track Championship meet. His leap at Districts was 43' 8" for a first place finish and a trip to the State Meet. At state Drew won the triple jump with a jump of 44' 5 1/2". Congratulations Drew on your gold medal.



Above: **Mike Wagoner** gets ready to throw the shot during a meet. "Give it a heave ho Mike".

Right: **Marcus Bender** checks his stopwatch to make sure Coach Walford wrote down the right time.



Brent Zoucha high jumps over the bar at the Central NE Track Championships. Brent Placed 7th with a jump of 5' 11". At Districts he came away with a first place medal, with a jump of 6' 1", which advanced him to the State meet in Omaha where he came home with a 2nd place medal jumping 6' 4".



Boys Track



Drew Rodine hands off to Brent Zoucha during the 4x100 relay. The team of Drew Rodine, Brent Zoucha, Brett Kuhn, and Levi Lindburg had a 45.4 time at districts to place 1st and win a trip to the State meet. They brought home a silver medal from state running 44.887.



Levi Lindburg gets his whole body into the long jump. Levi jumped 20' 1/2" at Districts to advance to the State meet. A gold medal was around his neck in Omaha. Levi's jump of 21' 9 1/4" was the first place jump. Levi also went to state in the 300 hurdles. He placed 6th with a time of 41.597.



First row: Clete Vrbka, Nate Hoffman, Jesse Dubas, Logan Glasser, Talus Vest, Nick Gustafson, Scott Holtorf, Joe Ditloff. Second row: Garrett Reimers, Chris Fowler, Derek Rodine, Dustin Kufeldt, Ryan Rathjen, Marcus Bender, Michael Wagoner. Third row: Drew Rodine, Josh Hudson, Levi Lindburg, Brent Zoucha, Brett Kuhn.

Scoreboard

Merrick County Invite

No score kept

Cedar Rapids Invite

1st Place

Meridian Invite

1st Place

High Plains Invite

1st Place

Palmer Invite

2nd Place

CRC Meet

2nd Place

St. Edward Invite

2nd Place

Districts

2nd Place

State

3rd Place

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Girl's Track

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"Breaking the school record in the 300 hurdles was my favorite memory from track."

Samantha Dubas, senior



Lauren Redman shows her form in the two mile.

Far right: **Tara Tonniges** and **Megan Hammond** taking a rest before they must compete again.

Right: **Heather Church** clears the bar in the high jump.

Below right: **Holly Engel** hands the baton to her younger sister, **Brooke Engel** during the 4x800 relay.

Below far right: **Amanda Hanquist** leaps through the air in the long jump.

Below: **Corinna Vrbka** gets focused before she launches the discus.



SCOREBOARD

Merrick County	No Team Score
Cedar Rapids	4th
Meridian	7th
High Plains	3rd
Palmer	1st
CRC	4th
St. Edward	2nd
Districts	2nd



Back Row: Mary Ziembra, Hana Lindburg, Meghan Hammond, Kylie Shoup, Tara Tonniges, Amanda Hanquist, Sarah Staniec. Middle Row: Brooke Engel, Laura Garey, Heidi Hanquist, Lauren Redman, Heather Church. Front Row: Ashley Strobel, Corinna Vrbka, Samantha Dubas, Ashley Tedford, Holly Engel, Emily Buhr.

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Below: **Mr. Walford** and **Ashley Strobel** give their cheesiest smiles for the camera during the Central Nebraska Track Championship Meet in Grand Island.



running to the finish line

Behind the leadership of the five seniors, the girls track team had a very successful season. Nineteen girls made their presence known on the track this year. Putting hours of dedication into the season really payed off towards the end of the year. Along the way, some new records were set. Samantha Dubas beat the old school record of 49.4 seconds in the 300 hurdles with a time of 49.1, while Tara Tonniges ran to a new school record in the 800 with a time of 2:42.4.

State qualifiers this year included Samantha Dubas in the 300 hurdles, Kylie Shoup in the 100 and 200, and the 400 meter relay team of Samantha Dubas, Kylie Shoup, Heather Church, and Amanda Hanquist.

Hard work and dedication pays off when new school records are set by girl's team.



Left: **Samantha Dubas** stays focused on the finish line during the 100 meter hurdles.



Above: **Emily Buhr** hurls the shot put out into the air.
Below Left: **Ashley Tedford** launches the shot put for a throw of 34'1 1/2".
Below right: **Heather Church** makes a strong finish in the 400.

Above: **Kylie Shoup** brings home the gold in the 4x1 relay.
Below: **Heidi Hanquist** reaching for the sand while triple jumping.



Golf



First row: Grant Friesen, Lacey Stromberg, Matt Anderson, Vinny Bittinger, Matt Lampshire, Haley Stromberg. Second row: Josh Hohnholt, Isaac Samuelson, Sarah Hammond, Megan Carson, Nic Beck. Third row: Sean Steinke, Kyle Hohnholt, Nate Anderson, Caleb Church, Garrison Swanson, Thomas Tasler, Chris Thornton. Not pictured: Coach Keith Killion

SCOREBOARD

Central City Triangular
2nd Place
Heartland Lutheran Dual
Tie
Clay Center Invite
9th Place
High Plains Dual
2nd Place
Osceola Triangular
2nd Place
CRC Meet
2nd Place
Districts
4th Place

Nate Anderson - State Qualifier



Vinny Bittinger solutes the camera as he moves on to the next hole.

The Golf team saw great improvement this year. From gaining new teammates to winning a few meets. They placed high in the team scores at the meets. There was an increase in numbers this year, with eighteen starting the year.

It's a tough sport for competition because a team only consist of five golfers for the meets. Most meets also have a JV division, so ten students get to compete at most of the meets. The others get in lots of practice and try to move up to the varsity level.

Nate Anderson was the lone High Plains golfer to qualify for the State Meet in May. He turned in a score of 173 for the two day meet, golfing 36 holes.



Garrison Swanson takes aim to sink his putt.



Lacey Stromberg watches to see where her golf ball lands.

Right: Megan Sundberg sits to figure her score.



I think I can, I think I can, as Sean Steinke swings the club.



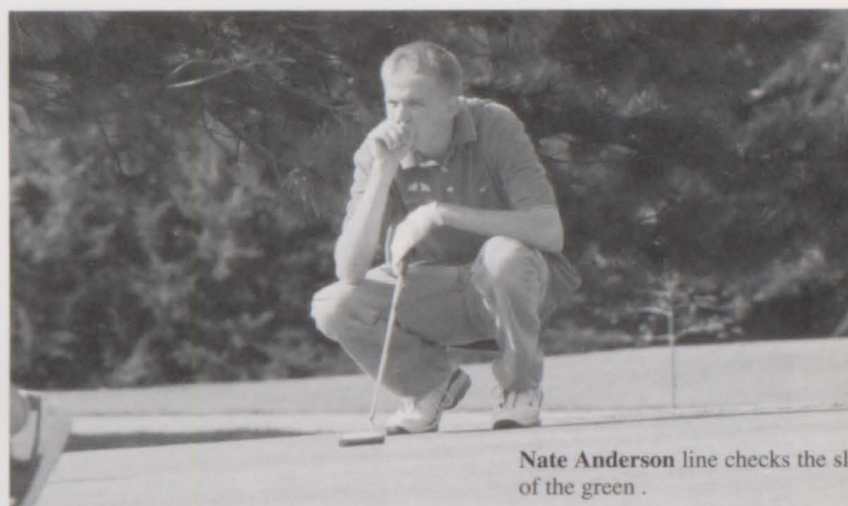


Left: **Sarah Hammond** gets ready to tee off.

Below: All I have to do is put the golf ball in the hole says **Josh Hohnholt**.



Caleb Church taking a practise swing.



Nate Anderson line checks the slope of the green .



Nic Beck attempts to sinks his putt into the hole.



Grant Friesen waits for his turn.

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Band



The High Plains marching band participated in the Harvest of Harmony parade receiving 6th place and the Veterans Day Parade.

Seven students were selected to play in the CRC Honor Band. Heather Steinke-Clarinet, Abby Necker-Bass Clarinet, Christina Rhodes-Flute, Calvin Rahrs-Tuba, Drew Rodine-Trumpet, Josh Hudson-Timpani, and Erin Hammond-Mallets.

Three students also played in other Honor Bands. Christina Rhodes- Class "C" All-State Band, and NE Wesleyan; Calvin Rahrs- Class "C" All-State Band; Abby Necker-Hastings Honor Band. Hana Lindburg also participated in the Shrine Bowl Marching Band this summer.

The band also played at the Christmas Concert, Dessert Concert, and the Spring Concert. The District Music Contest was held April 22 in Columbus where the band received two 2's and one 1.



Candice Swedenburg, Drew Rodine, Isaac Samuleson, and Jonella Yrkoski wait their turns to play during the dessert concert.



Meghan Hammond was the majorette for the High Plains marching band. Looking good!

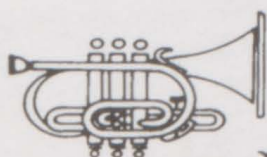


The High Plains pep band playing during a pep rally to get everyone enthused for the game!

Right: Meghan Hammond and drummers Logan Glasser, Anthony Beck, Grant Friesen, Derek Rodine, and Justin Blase keeping the beat during the pep rally.



Below: **Mr. Drews** directing the band and keeping the beat.



Holly Engel was the Harvest of Harmony candidate this year.



High Plains Marching Band



Flag members **Corinna Vrbka** and **Ashley Strobel** marching in the Harvest of Harmony parade in Grand Island.



The High Plains marching band during the Harvest of Harmony parade.

Band CHORUS

There were ten members in choir this year, with a lot of new experience coming in. Directed by Mr. Drews, the group worked extremely hard on many different songs. Emily Buhr and Trevor Schnabel both performed solos this year, Trevor received a two at districts, while the group received a three. They also sang the National Anthem at many of the home games.



Sandra Quiring accompanies the choir as they sing during the Christmas concert.



Sami Danklesen and Tiffany Swanson singing at the Fine Arts Night Concert.



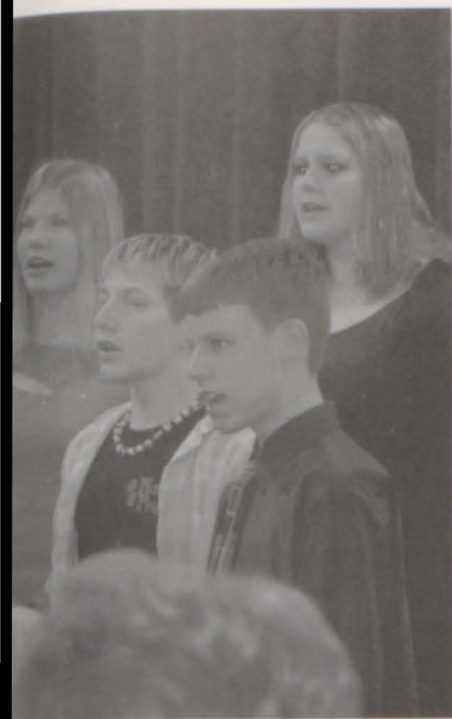
Trevor Schnabel but lots of effort into his solo performance.



Above: **Trevor Schnabel, David Oliver, Tiffany Swanson, Erin Davis, and Sami Danklesen** perform for the crowd at the dinner theatre.

Right: **Emily Buhr, Sami Danklesen, Whitney Flinn, and Tiffany Swanson** performing at a concert.





Left: **Amber Swanson, David Oliver, Trevor Schnabel, and Brittany Swanson** concentrates on singing.



Below: **Whitney Flinn, Brittany Swanson, Emily Buhr, and Hana Lindburg** singing with enthusiasm.



Above: **Hana Lindburg and Emily Buhr** sing out to the crowd during their first concert.

Left: Choir group: back row: Whitney Flinn, Amber Swanson, Brittany Swanson. front row: Hana Lindburg, Emily Buhr, Sami Danklesen, Tiffany Swanson, David Oliver, Trevor Schnabel. Not pictured: Erin Davis and Hilary Kortum.



Above: **Trevor Schnabel and David Oliver** were the only two boys in chorus. They sang out and really made an impact for the group.

Left: **Emily Buhr** performs her solo at the Fine Arts Night Concert.

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Future Farmers of America

The FFA officers were Dustin Meyer (President), Brent Scherer (Vice President), Erin Hammond (Secretary), Nate Anderson (Treasurer), Chris Ziemba (News Reporter), Travis Kuhn (Sentinel), Isaac Samuelson (Parliamentarian), and Tiffany Kowalski (Historian).

National FFA week was observed with some fun activities held; a Bale Relay Race, Official Dress Day, Tractor or Trailer day and ATV day. They held its first Pancake Feed and Labor Auction for a fund-raising project. The Parent/Member Banquet was held in April. The year's officers retired, and the new officers were announced along with year end awards given out.



Top Right: **Mr. Nielson** and the members who recieved their State Degrees, **Nate Anderson, Vinny Bittinger, Dustin Meyer.**



Left: **Chris Ziemba** with a bale during the bale relay, one of the National FFA Week activities.



FFA members. Fourth row: Meghan Hammond, Nic Beck, Travis Kuhn, Mr. Nielson. Third row: Isaac Samuelson, Tiffany Kowalski, Dustin Kufeldt, Nathan Anderson, Dustin Meyer. Second row: Grant Friesen, Matt Anderson, Kyle Hohnholt, Matt Lampshire, Erin Hammond, Heidi Hanquist. First row: Lacey Stromberg, Scott Holtorf, Amanda Hanquist, Sarah Hammond, Joe Ditloff. Not pictured: Vinny Bittinger, Josh Gustafson, Brent Scherer, Chris Ziemba, Kevin Church, Trevor Labarge, Anthony Beck, Nick Gustafson, Jeremiah Reynier.



Below left: Watch out! **Meghan Hammond** about to pour waffle mix on **Travis Kuhn!**



Above: **Matt Lampshire, Grant Friesen, Scott Holtorf, Anthony Beck** dress as farmers for 'Dress Like a Farmer Day'.



Left: The senior officer team: **Erin Hammond, Isaac Samuelson, Dustin Meyer, Travis Kuhn, Nate Anderson, Tiffany Kowalski.**



Right: **Matt Anderson** receiving his Star Greenhand award.



Left: The ATVs brought by students and shown at lunch on ATV day.

Below: The Honorary Members of the High Plains FFA Chapter; Tim and Cindy Bittinger with their son Vinny, Matt Anderson with his parents Larry and Deb Anderson. Not pictured: Deb Meyer and Loren Meyer also received an honorary membership.



Above: **Erin Hammond** and **Nate Anderson** officiated the Award Ceremony at the Parent/Member Banquet.

Left: **Travis Kuhn** and his fellow FFA members take a break and have some fun at Champions during the State Convention.

Far Left: **Vinny Bittinger** and **Nate Anderson** waiting to find out which won the Dekalb Award. Nate Anderson was the Dekalb Award recipient.



Above: **Nate Anderson**, **Isaac Samuelson**, and **Mr. Nielson** calling the Parent/Member Banquet to order.

Right: **Tiffany Kowalski** and **Erin Hammond** at the banquet's head table, serving as officers.



FCCLA

The officers for our Family Career and Community Leaders of America group were, Christina Rhodes President, Whitney Flinn Vice President, Heather Steinke Secretary, Laura Garey Treasurer, Haley Stromberg Historian, Morgan Comer Parliamentarian, Skye Hejzmanek Recreational Chairperson, and Abby Necker Publicity Chairperson.

We had twenty-three members this year. The highest membership year in High Plains Community history.

Our annual fund-raiser, Godfather pizza sales, sold 215 pizzas. Fourteen members attended the District Leadership conference in Madison, while four attended the STAR competition. State was attended by: Christina Rhodes, Laura Garey, Whitney Flinn, Sarah Staniec, David Oliver, and advisor Mrs. Gilson. Two STAR events were presented at state.



The group that attended the District Leadership Conference in Madison.



Megan Burruss, Danika Wirrick, Whitney Flinn, Sarah Staniec, Haley Stromberg, and Mary Ziemba relax and enjoy their pizza.



Heather Steinke, Morgan Comer, and Abby Necker chowin' down after making pizzas all morning.



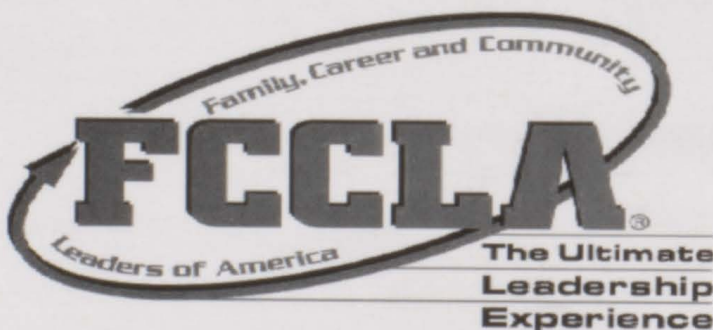
Josh Hohnholt, Lacey Stromberg, Scott Holtorf, Haley Stromberg, and Christina Rhodes listening to a speaker on the second day of cluster meeting in Omaha, and Scott shows his enthusiasm.



Brittany Swanson does a jig during the ice breaker to get the meeting started.

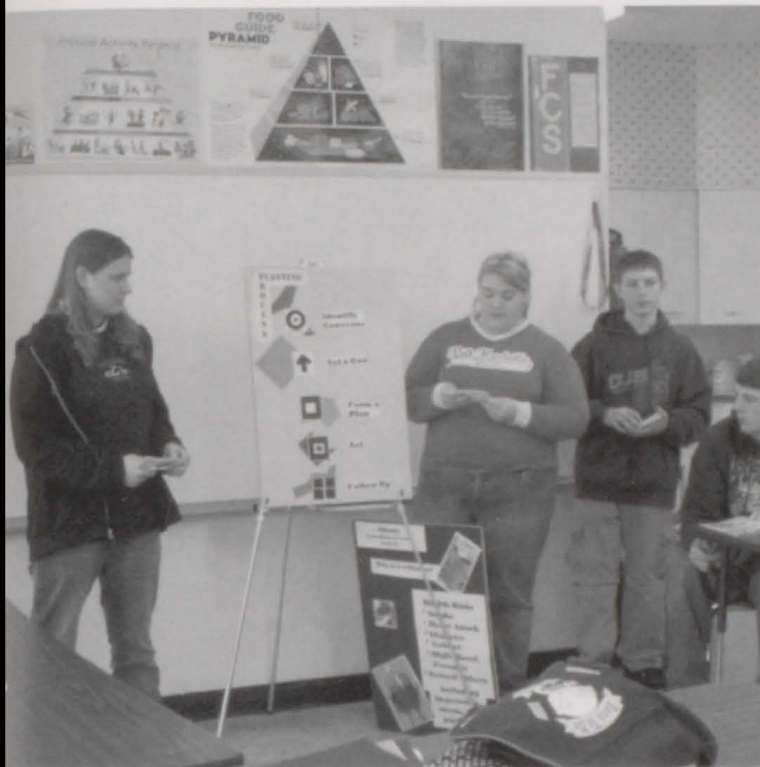


Sarah Staniec trying to pin the nose on the pumpkin during a monthly meeting.



Left: Group that attended the Omaha cluster meeting.

Below: **Christina Rhodes** presents her Time Management speech for STAR to the FCCLA members. She received gold at both state and districts.



Sarah Staniec, Whitney Flinn, and David Oliver take time out of class to present to the second period students. They received gold at districts and bronze at state.



Above: **Whitney Flinn**, our district officer, announces the door prizes at the DLC conference in Madison.



Left: FCCLA Members: front row: Megan Carson, Skye Hejtmanek. middle row: David Oliver, Christina Rhodes, Heather Church, Tara Tonniges, Laura Garey, Haley Stromberg, Kayla Beck, Abby Necker, Heather Steinke. back row: Josh Hohnholt, Lacey Stromberg, Sarah Staniec, Mary Ziemba, Hana Lindburg, Jonella Yrkoski, Megan Burruss, Whitney Flinn, Brittany Swanson, Morgan Comer. Not pictured: Scott Holtorf, Garrett Reimers.

National Honor Society

The National Honor Society inducted its new members on March 23, 2005. Mrs. Fran Lott is their sponsor for the High Plains Community Chapter.

To be considered for membership each eligible student must apply. Eligibility is set up by their grade point average. Then they must pass a point system which is based on their leadership skills, citizenship involvement, volunteerism and academic performance.

These students must maintain a certain standard to remain in the society for their high school career. If they happened to fall from this standard their membership is canceled and they must apply again. It is an honor to be a member of this group. These individuals are a select group that shows skills in leadership, being a good citizen, and high academic ability.

The NHS gave two scholarship this year. The recipients were Nate Anderson and Abby Necker.

Right: **Corinna Vrbka** lighting a candle during the ceremony.



The members set up for induction in the band room. Above: **Brett Kuhn** and **Christina Rhodes**. Right: **Chris Ziemba**, **Josh Hudson**, **Mrs. Lott**, and **Brett Kuhn**.



4th row: Lauren Redman, Nate Anderson, Corinna Vrbka, Samantha Dubas, Brandon Bankson, Heidi Hanquist, Candice Swendenburg, Chris Ziemba, Josh Hudson.

3rd row: Christina Rhodes, Heather Steinke, Morgan Comer, Whitney Flinn, Trent Norquest, Logan Glasser, Isaac Samuelson, Abby Necker, Brett Kuhn.

2nd row: Haley Stromberg, Kylie Shoup, Tara Tonniges, Ashley Strobel, Jonella Yrkoski.

1st row: Drew Rodine, Holly Engel, Laura Garey.



Drew Rodine taking a break while setting up.

Right: The newly inducted members of the NHS. Back row: Brandon Bankson, Whitney Flinn, Trent Norquest, Logan Glasser, Isaac Samuelson. Front row: Kylie Shoup, Tara Tonniges, Ashley Strobel, Jonella Yrkoski.



Quiz Bowl

Quiz Bowl members went to three competitions and did well in each. They placed 2nd at CRC Quiz Bowl. At the Peru State College competition they had two advance teams and one novice team. At Districts in Osceola, they had one team make it to finals.

This group puts in a lot of time practicing in the evenings after they have finished with their sports practices. You have to be dedicated to put in the time required for this team.

Congratulations for a job well done!



Top left: Nic Beck, Josh Hohnholt, Brent Scherer, and Haley Stromberg during a competition.
Above: A competition at Peru State College.
Below: Jesse Dubas, Josh Hudson, Mike Wagoner, and Marcus Bender getting ready for a competition.

Back row: Isaac Samuelson, Brandon Bankson, Josh Hudson, Chris Fowler, Brett Kuhn, Caleb Church, Nate Anderson, Brent Scherer, Marcus Bender. Middle row: Josh Hohnholt, Christina Rhodes, Haley Stromberg, Jesse Dubas, Mike Wagoner. Front row: Nic Beck, Justin Blase.



Justin Blase, Brandon Bankson, Isaac Samuelson, and Nate Anderson find time to relax and have some fun before the actual competition starts.

Quiz Bowl Members

Nate Anderson
Brandon Bankson
Nic Beck
Marcus Bender
Justin Blase
Caleb Church
Jesse Dubas
Chris Fowler
Josh Hohnholt
Josh Hudson
Brett Kuhn
Christina Rhodes
Isaac Samuelson
Haley Stromberg
Mike Wagoner

YearBook

The desktop publishing class was made up of seven students. These seven students are very important. If it wasn't for all their hard work and creative ideas, this yearbook would not exist. We accomplished many things throughout the year, by designing the pages, selling ads, figuring out layouts, and complying the yearbook. We have increased the number of pages this year, trying to get more pictures and information in the yearbook.

This class takes a lot of work and time. You must take pictures of everything, compose and create the pages, while trying to met the deadlines.

Another assignment for this class is the monthly newsletter, The Monthly Forecast. We type articles for it, and also put the mailing labels on each month. This takes time out of working on the yearbook, so when both deadlines fall together, we scramble to get it all done.

All and all making the yearbook was fun but very stressful at the same time. We look forward to seeing the final project. We finish our work in May, but don't get to see the final book until August.



The desktop publishing team: (top to bottom): Brett Kuhn, Ashley Tedford, Holly Engel, Sammantha Dubas, Corinna Vrbka, Morgan Comer, Tiffany Kowalski.



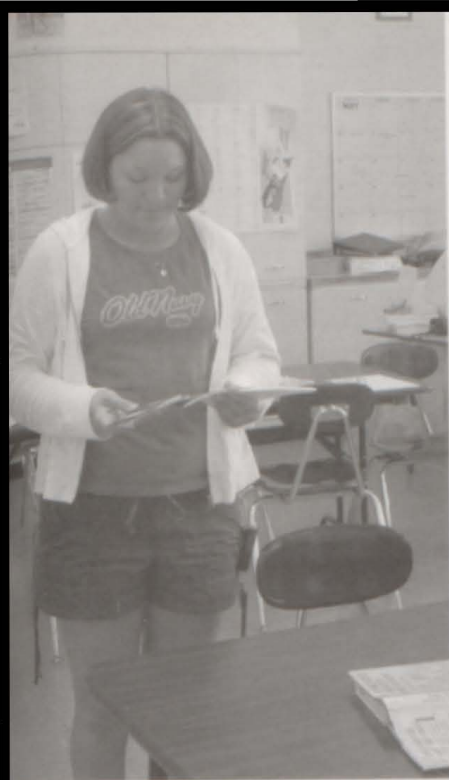
Morgan Comer and Tiffany Kowalski walk the streets to sell some advertisement for the book.



Above: Samantha Dubas and Holly Engel walking around town selling ads for the yearbook.

Right: Brett Kuhn working hard cropping pictures. Way to go!





Left: **Corinna Vrbka** sorting pictures to put in the yearbook.

Below: **Brett Kuhn** practising his camera skills.



Above: **Corinna Vrbka**, **Holly Engel**, and **Ashley Tedford** working hard their pages.

Left: **Holly Engel** and **Ashley Tedford** selling ads over the telephone.



Tiffany Kowalski (above) and **Sammantha Dubas** (left) sorting and cutting out pictures for the collage pages that the class decided to make for the cover and division pages.



Placing of a wreath at the tomb of the unknown soldier.



Washington Monument and WWII Memorial.



The Library of Congress was another site that this group toured.



Sponsor Andy Vrbka, Corinna Vrbka, Samantha Dubas, Holly Engel, Kristin Opfer, Vinny Bittinger, Brett Kuhn dress up and ready for the banquet.

Close Up

On April 3rd through the 9th Vinny Bittinger, Samantha Dubas, Holly Engel, Brett Kuhn, Kristin Opfer, and Corinna Vrbka went with Mr. Vrbka to Washington D.C. The trip to Washington was not just a fun sight seeing trip. The kids had to also go to workshops, and other meetings that discussed topics about what was happening in the world and what they were seeing happen in the government where they lived. On Close-Up there are kids from all over the country. Some of them become your roommates for five days and also become friends with whom you keep in touch with after you leave Washington D.C.

Going to Washington on Close-Up is a once in a lifetime trip which these students will remember for the rest of their life.



Group photo at the Bureau of Printing and Engraving.



Kristin Opfer, Holly Engel, Corinna Vrbka, Brett Kuhn, Samantha Dubas, and Vinny Bittinger in front of the Capital building.



The group in the park with the Cherry Blossom trees.



Left: Concepcion - She is against nuclear war and is set up in front of the White House.

Work ~ Fun ~ Hobbies

The students at High Plains Community Schools put in a lot of hours at school. When they get done with their day, they put in a lot more hours doing things they enjoy even more than coming to school. Many of our students put in hours after school at sports practices. The majority go out for more than two activities throughout the year, thus putting in many hours practicing and participating in their activity.

We would like to show you just a few of the activities our students are involved in after they leave the school day. We are sorry not to be able to show more of

these individuals, but getting the pictures taken and finding out exactly what our students are all involved in, took some work. We also apologize to everyone for not getting your input for this page or for not including your activity. This is just a sampling as to what the students here at High Plains do with their free time.

We found out that many of our students work, help out the family in their business, and have a variety of hobbies they like to be involved in. Many evenings and weekends are spent out and about doing hobbies and interests.



Abby Necker plays guitar for her church group.



Christina Rhodes spends some of her free time scrapbooking.



Nate and Matt Anderson, along with their father, like to motor cross. Here they are shown with their bikes.



Haley and Ashley Strobel shown here with their race cars.



The most important work that the students do is studying. Here some freshman girls are working hard or hardly working in study hall.



The Opfer family races 4-wheelers, here **Michael Opfer** soars through the air.



Kelli Stevens, Ashley Strobel, and Samantha Dubas work at the Dairy Queen in Central City.



Casey and Dani Sneed work at a nursing home. They posed for a picture with a resident who is 100 years old.



FCCLA organized a water balloon fight for the last day of school after classes were dismissed. A small group stayed and enjoyed the fun.



We caught **Thomas Thies** at the drive thru window at Wendy's.



Drew Rodine and Kendra Stevens work at filling the pop machine at school.



Lunch on the last day of school is hot dogs provided by the teachers. The students are waiting patiently for the next panful of dogs to arrive.



Mr. Nielson and Mr. Manstedt take their turns grilling hot dogs on the last day.



Jonella Yrkoski and Megan Burruss help fill water balloons for the FCCLA water games.

Award's Night



Mr. Manstedt and Mr. Pekarek fire up the grill and flip the hamburgers while Mr. Arasmith supervises.



Heather Church and Tara Tonniges can hardly believe what their coach just said about them!

Award's Night is held to honor the students of High Plains Community High School who have taken part in the activities offered by the school. The evening was sponsored by the cheerleaders and their sponsor, Miss Ryan. The school provided hamburgers that were grilled by Mr. Manstedt and Mr. Pekarek. Following the meal, coaches and sponsors of each school activity took turns reflecting on the highlights from the past year's seasons and activities. They also told stories that only they knew about the participants.

Thank you to all who participated in a school activity this year. You make this school unique and the best that it can be. Congratulations on another great year!



The students wait patiently for the banquet to begin.



Students receiving perfect attendance awards included: Back row: David Oliver, Marcus Bender, Joe Ditloff, Isaac Samuelson. Front Row: Brooke Engel, Jonella Yrkoski, and Hana Lindburg.

Left: Corinna Vrbka and Brett Kuhn received the All-Around Male and Female student awards that were voted on by the faculty.

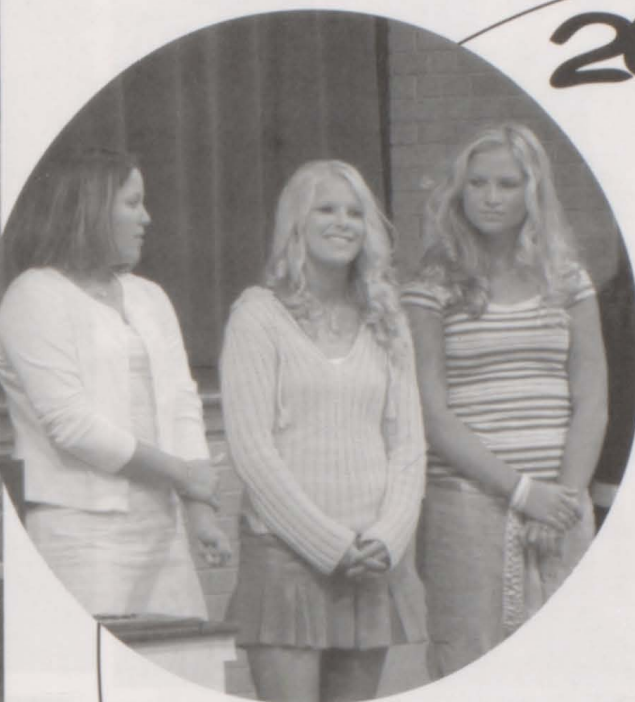


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Christina Rhodes is all smiles as she gives Mrs. Lindburg a big hug.



The senior basketball girls; Corinna Vrkba, Samantha Dubas, and Holly Engel reflect back on the season.



Above: Matt Anderson, Jesse Dubas, and Drew Rodine listen as Mr. Hudson gives a speech about the boys basketball team.

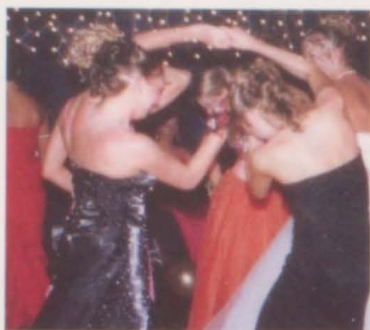
Right: Vinny Bittinger, Chris Fowler, and Jessie Shotkoski were recognized for their contributions to the One-Act play.



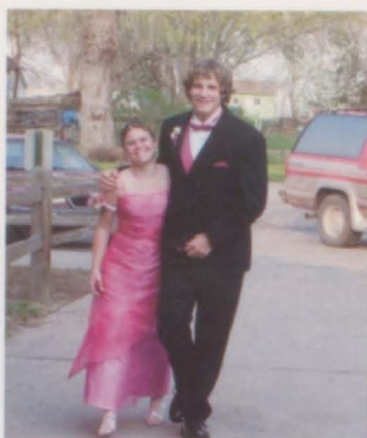
Caleb Church, Travis Kuhn, and Nic Beck think back to their memories of wrestling from this past year.



Mr. Walford talks about the girl's track team as Brooke Engel and Laura Garey pay close attention to what he has to say.



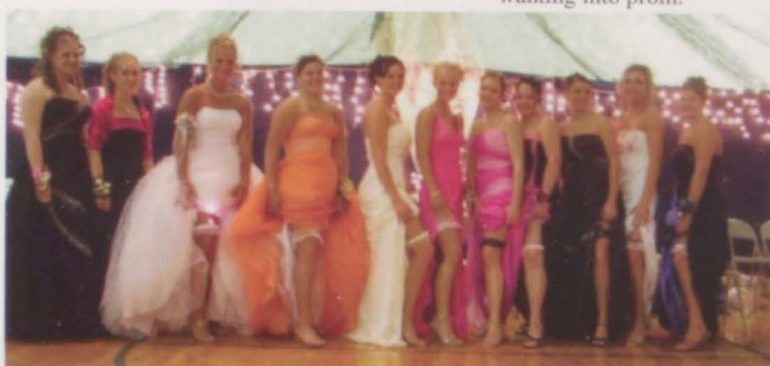
Jane Hansen, and Kayla Beck are dancing and getting groovy to the music.



Chris Fowler and his date walking into prom.



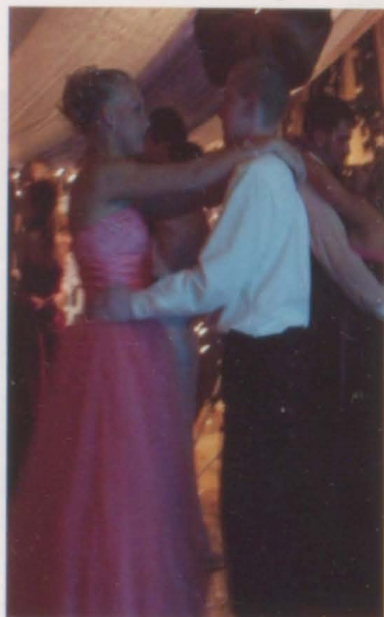
Everyone enjoying the dance.



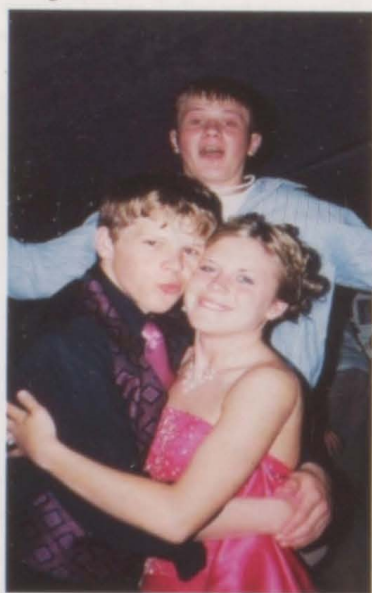
Senior girls showing their garters.



Everyone eating.



Heather Church and Jermiah Reyner dancing to a slow song.



Ashley Strobel poses with her date while Jesse Dubas tries to get in the picture.



Megan Carson, Tara Tonniges, and Kylie Shoup dancing to the Cotton Eye Joe.



Meghan Hammond and Corinna Vrbka pose for a picture.



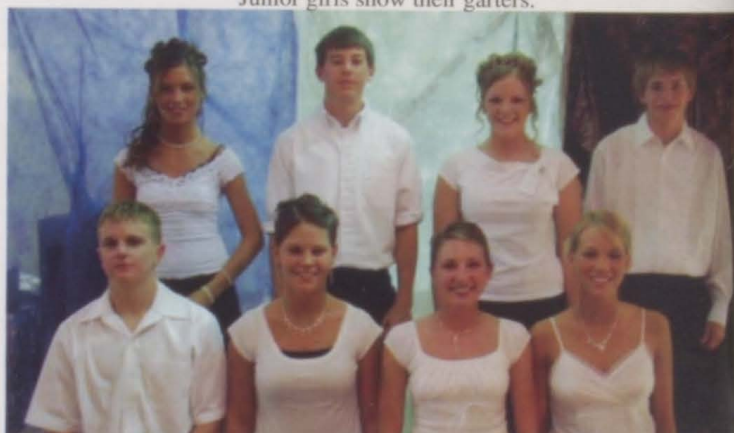
Junior girls show their garters.



Brandon Bankson giving the welcome speech.



Mike Wagoner, Talus Vest, and Logan Glasser sit and make fun of all the people out on the dance floor.



Servers for prom. Back row: Megan Carson, Issac Samuelson, Emily Buhr, and Logan Glasser. Front row: Justin Blase, Kendra Stevens, Kylie Shoup, and Tara Tonniges.

Class of 2005



Denny Schlund, Corinna Vrbka, Samantha Dubas, and Logan Glasser dancing to the Cotton Eye Joe.



Senior Girls

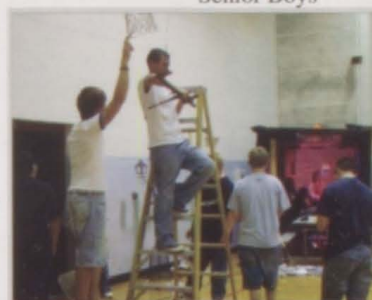


Group picture of Ashley Tedford, Denny Schlund, Monica Kerl, Corinna Vrbka, Sami Danklesen, Ashley Strobel, Katlyn Killion, Casey Sneed, and Samantha Dubas.

PROM

"A NIGHT IN PARIS."

PROM THIS YEAR WAS HELD ON APRIL 16, 2005. THE ELEMENTARY GYM WAS TRANSFORMED INTO THE NIGHTLIFE OF PARIS. THE WELCOME WAS GIVEN BY BRANDON BANKSON FOLLOWED BY A POEM READ BY ASHLEY STROBEL. CASEY SNEED GAVE THE SENIOR RESPONSE BY THANKING THE JUNIORS AND THEIR PARENTS. THIS YEAR THE JUNIORS CHANGED UP THE MENU AND SERVED SLICED BUFFALO ROAST. AFTER THE MEAL, GROUP AND COUPLE PICTURES WERE TAKEN. THEN THE DANCE WAS HELD FROM 9-12 WHERE FRESHMAN, SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS, AND SENIORS DANCED THE NIGHT AWAY. POST PROM WAS AGAIN HELD IN CLARKS FOR THE SECOND YEAR WHERE THE STUDENTS ENJOYED PLAYING MANY DIFFERENT GAMES AND WINNING PRIZES. THANK YOU JUNIORS FOR ANOTHER VERY MEMORABLE NIGHT!



Senior Boys



Above left: Junior boys work at getting the wires up before the real decorating can start.

Above right: Holly Engel and Samantha Dubas stop to take a picture.



Left: Freshman Jesse Dubas, Brooke Engel, Caleb Church, and Clete Vrbka take a group picture.



Junior Girls



Junior Boys



Juniors decorate the entryway for prom.



Class of 2006



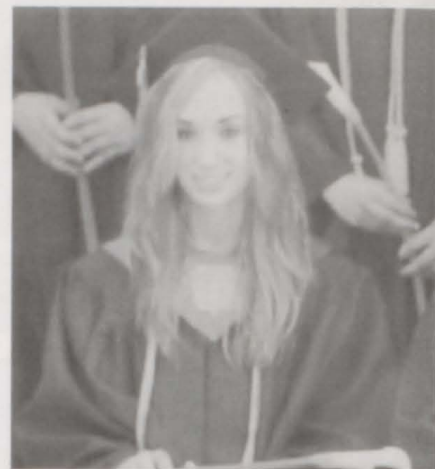
Stephen Opfer, Drew Rodine, Kelli Stevens, and Heidi Hanquist working on the Eiffel Tower for prom.

Graduation

Graduation took place, Saturday, May 14th, 2005. There were twenty-four graduating seniors. This was the second class to spend their entire four years of high school as the merged High Plains Community school district.

According to tradition the graduating seniors entered to "Pomp and Circumstance" played by the High Plains band. Superintendent Gray welcomed the crowd, followed by Abby Necker's, salutatorian address. Thomas Tasler, a foreign exchange student, spoke thanking everyone for his experience and making him feel at home during the year. Heather Steinke, valedictorian, then addressed the crowd. The senior girls sang "Walk A Little Slower My Friend" by Don Besig and diplomas were presented to the graduates by board members Greg Fowler and Kurt Kuhn.

The class motto was "We are leaving a part of our lives, never to return, but always to remember." Their class colors were Blue, Black, and Silver. The class flower was the Calla Lily. The flower song was "Wonder Wall" by Oasis. Jean Blase was the class sponsor.



Above right: **Abby Necker** was the Salutatorian.

Right: **Heather Stienke** was this year's Valedictorian.

Below: The Class of 2005 ready for the ceremony to begin.



Ashley Strobel, **Kayla Beck**, (above top) **Drew Rodine** and **Brent Scherer** (above bottom) were chosen, by the senior class, to hand out programs before the ceremony. Ashley and Kayla handled the programs while Drew and Brent took care of holding the doors and welcomed the quest as they arrived.



Above: **Ashley Tedford**, **Corinna Vrbka**, and **Meghan Hammond** smile for the camera waiting for the ceremony to start while **Jean Blase** gives **Brent Scherer** final instructions.



Right: **Chris Fowler** presenting his mother with a lily.

CLASS OF 2005

Right: The girls pose for their final group picture before graduation.

Below far left: **Josh Hudson** and **Meghan Hammond** were the Junior Marshals.

Below: The guys get together for a final group shot before graduation.



Dustin Meyer checking to make sure his diploma is signed.



Kristin Opfer making the long awaited walk down the aisle.



Dennis Schlund letting people know he is ready for this day.


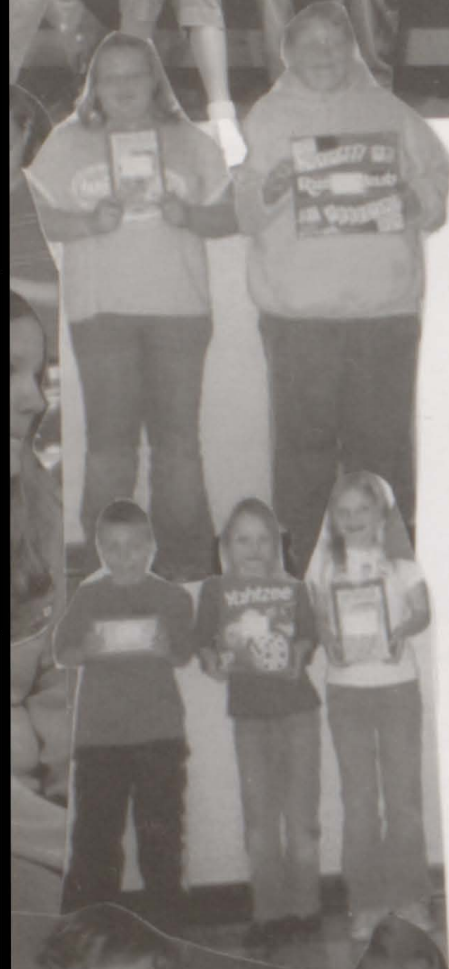



Above: **Dustin Kufeldt** and **Nate Anderson** relaxing before the ceremony with refreshment provided by their sponsor.




Left: **Chris Fowler**, **Jane Hansen**, our other foreign exchange student, **Brent Zoucha**, and **Dustin Kufeldt** all seem to have different reactions to standing in the reception line.



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Scoreboard

Opponent	Score
Palmer	W 48-20
Shelby	L 18-24
Giltner	L 14-36
Exeter-Milligan	W 46-20

Football



Back row: Josh Fitzgerald, Luke Sameulson, Terry Bankson, Tanner Kuhn, Robert Klingsporn, Joe Fowler, Carl Rahrs, Jason Vincent.
Middle row: Kyler LeSuer, Johnathon Oliver, Kory Stevens, Jonathon Hanquist, Joshua Reynier, Jacob Kennedy, Bryan Hohnholt. Front row: Coach Steve Meyer, Ben Schulze, Wyatt Miller, Jason Church, Corbey Grause, Adam Danklesen, Calvin Shively, Aaron Blase, Coach Mike Cotter.

Scoreboard

"A Team"		"B Team"	
Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Giltner	L 2-0	Giltner	W 1-0
Hampton	L 2-1	Rising City	L 2-0
McCool	W 2-0	Palmer	W 2-0
Exeter-Milligan	W 2-0	Hampton	W 2-1
Cross County	L 2-0	McCool	L 2-0
		NE Christian	W 3-0

Volleyball



Back row: Coach Angie Eberle, Jamee Scherer, Mindy Kowalski, Amanda Dent, Emily Letcher, Becca Geidel, Rachel Shotkoski.
Middle row: Cheyanne Schultz, Anna Swanson, Meagan Sundberg, Haley Strobel, Ashley Fleming, Haley Menke, Britny Kava.
Front row: Kinsley Shoup, Amanda Burruss, Thania Sanchez, Hannah Lott, Lacey Jarecke, Kartina Quick, Heather Reimers.

Girls Basketball



Back row: Kylie Jarecke, Lacey Jarecke, Jamee Scherer, Britny Kava, Haley Menke, Anna Swanson, Kinsley Shoup, Coach Laura Senff.
Front row: Amanda Burruss, Ashley Fleming, Haley Strobel, Cheyanne Schultz, Thania Sanchez, Hannah Lott, Katrina Quick.

Scoreboard

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Giltner	L 18-22	Osceola	L 23-24
Rising City	L 22-31	Palmer	W 27-8
Palmer	L 15-23	Cedar Rapids	L 29-38
McCool	L 13-31		
Hampton	W 29-16		
NE Christian	W 42-13	Final Record	3-6

Boys Basketball



Back row: Coach Steve Meyer, Carl Rahrs, Josh Fitzgerald, Joe Fowler, Robert Klingsporn, Kyler LeSuer, Wyatt Miller.
Front row: Jonathon Hanquist, Luke Samuelson, Terry Bankson, Aaron Blase, Kory Stevens, Bryan Hohnholt.

Scoreboard

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Giltner	L 27-30	Osceola	W 34-28
Rising City	W 37-9	Cross County	L 30-36
Palmer	W 32-31	Cedar Rapids	W 33-18
McCool	W 28-20		
Hampton	L 17-38		
NE Christian	W 28-15	Final Record	7-2

Boys Track

Middle School Sports



Meets

High Plains Invite
Hampton Invite
NE Christian Invite
Palmer Invite (B Team)
CRC



Wrestling

Girls Track



Back row: Jason Church, Calvin Shively, Tanner Kuhn, Jared Hollenbeck.
Front row: Jacob Kennedy, Corby Grause, Joshua Reyner, Johnathon Oliver.

Meets

Dorchester Invite
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High Plains Invite
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Palmer Invite (B Team)
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Kyler LeSuer



Calvin Shively



Joe Fowler



Nice Tackle!



Jason Church



Haley Menke



Briny Kava, Anna Swanson, Meagan Sundberg, & Haley Strobel



Haley Menke



Josh Fitzgerald & other Storm players



Middle School Sports



Cheyanne Schultz



Luke Samuelson



Haley Strobel & Ashley Fleming



Storm offensive line



Jason Vincent



Joshua Reyner



Kinsley Shoup



Aaron Blase



Thania Sanchez, Haley Strobel, Anna Swanson, Haley Menke, Ashley Fleming, & Britny Kava.



Corbey Grause



Josh Fitzgerald



Meagan Sundberg

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Class of 2009

8th Grade



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BLASE



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GRACE
EDSON



JOSH
FITZGERALD



ASHLEY
FLEMING



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FOWLER



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BRITNY
KAVA



MINDY
KOWALSKI



TANNER
KUHN



HALEY
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CARL
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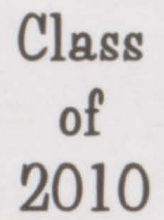
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MILLER



JOHN
OLIVER



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REYNER



JAMEE
SCHERER



RACHEL
SHOTKOSKI



WILLIAM
STEARNS



KORY
STEVENS



JASON
VINCENT



ROBERT
WILSON

Class of 2010

7th Grade

Class of 2011

8th Grade



BRITTANY
BENKIS



ARIANA
BOLTON



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BROWN



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CARSON



SARA
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ANHOUSE



RYLAND
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TONY
VEGA



CAROLINE
WILSON



The middle school band at the Veteran's Day parade in Central City.



The 8th grade class in the library listening to a speaker.



Mr. Hudson's class ready and waiting to answer the question.



7th grade P.E. class - up against the wall!

Middle School 6-8

**Class
of
2012**
5th Grade



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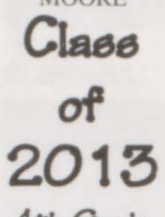
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KUHN



ELIZABETH
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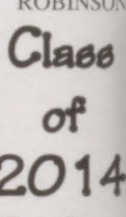
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MADISON
FLINN



SYDNEY
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GRAVES



TYLER
HOFFMAN



KATIE
IVEY

**Class
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4th Grade

**Class
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3rd Grade



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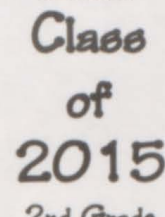
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MIKE
WILSON

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2015
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RACHEL
BECK

CHEYENNE
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LINDY
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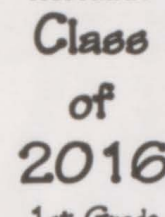
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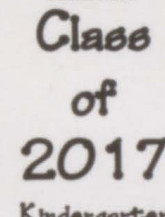
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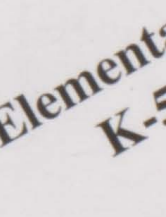
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And break away
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We can't believe this day is already here and how quickly you have grown from our little boy to a talented young man. You've brought so much joy into our lives.

May God bless you as you continue to reach for your goals and strive to make your dreams come true!

Love, Mom and Dad



Dear Samantha,

We are very proud of the young lady you have become. Mom was so proud when you got homecoming Queen. With your positive attitude we're sure you will succeed in the goals you have in your life. Keep showing that beautiful smile of yours!

We Love You,

Mom, Jeremy,
Jason & Jesse



Dustin,

Well you "Got-R-Done"!!

We have enjoyed seeing the wonderful young man you have become. With God in your life, family and a positive attitude your road ahead is endless. "Thank You" for all your Help, Love, Understanding and most of all the Memories!! We are so proud of you.

Love Always,

Mom, Tyson
Grandpa & Grandma Peters
& Family



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*You have been a blessing from the beginning
and we are very proud that you are our daughter.
May God's Word be a lamp to your feet
and a light to your path! PS 119:105*

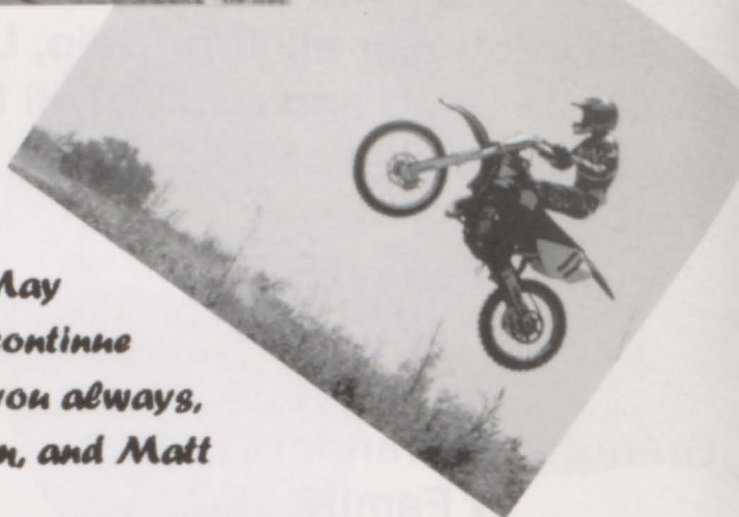
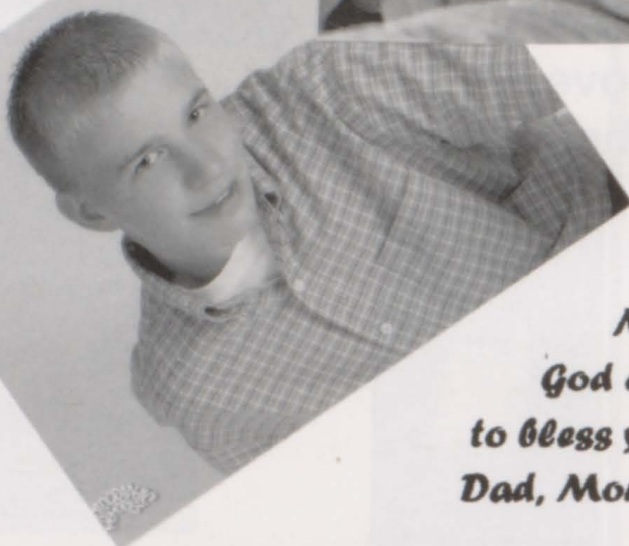
Love, Mom and Dad & Brice



NATHAN



*Congratulations to you
as you soar to
new heights!*



*May
God continue
to bless you always,
Dad, Mom, and Matt*

HEATHER



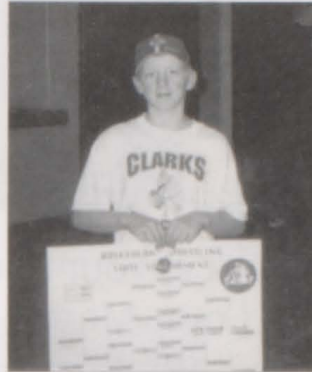
When you were small we held your hand and led you along. Now you begin a new journey on your own. There is no limit to what you can achieve if you work hard and strive for success. We are so proud of the beautiful young woman you've become. If you ever need a hand or a hug, we'll always be there for you.

We Love You!

Mom & Dad



Brett



Congratulations!! Where has time gone? You have gone from a curly haired boy to a young man in the blink of an eye. We are so proud of what you have achieved and the person you have become. God has blessed you with so many gifts. We hope and pray you will use them to fulfill your dreams. Be all you can be, don't let anything or anyone stop you!!

**Love you,
Mom and Dad**



MORGAN

Memories come back to us as we look back over the years. We want to hold on to you and at the same time watch you fly high and free.

May God continue to watch over you and bless you. Keep your faith strong and always remember we love you and are very proud of you.

We hope that today and always you are aware of how special you are to us.

Thank you, Morgan, for blessing our lives in so many ways.

Love You,
Mom & Dad
Taylor, Trevor,
Courtney & Sarah



BRENT

You have accomplished so much in your life, especially in the last four years.

Work hard, follow your dreams and don't give up. Be all you can be.

I am so proud of you and love you very much. Good luck in your future.

Love Mom



Brent & Levi

Congratulations and good luck in the future whichever road you take.

*Thank you so much for the fond and fun memories. Remain friends always.
We love you both*



Levi

Thank you for all of the wonderful memories. We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. May God bless you with health, happiness, and a humble heart. Go after life with joy and passion for each day. We love you! Mom & Dad



To Levi my little brother, the day has come that you are bigger than me. You have grown into such a handsome and special man. Your passion for life makes me so proud. Listen to the dreams of your heart and commit all your plans to God and no one will stop you. I love you so much. NO matter how big you get you will always be my "little" brother. Jeremiah 29:11... Love, your big Sister Crystal

Levi, live life to the fullest. Always forgive. Never forget the good memories. You will always be my big bro.

I love you, Hana



Christopher

You are a blessing that we are forever grateful for. We are proud of you and your determination to be our own individual. We love you and we want you to know that being your parents is one of our greatest joys. May you continue to live life succulently!!!!

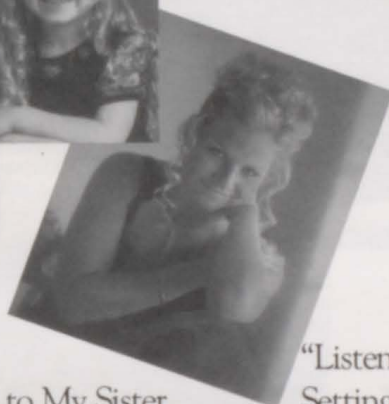
Love Mom & Dad



Hollywood



Holly Dolly



Holly

To our beautiful daughter and sister:

You have brought so much joy and happiness to our lives. We are proud to know you and blessed to love you. Continue to have your wonderful personality, wit of your grandfathers, charm, intelligence, and patience, all with a heart full of love.

The past 18 years have gone by so quickly. We know our time to let go has come way to soon, but our hearts are full of pride as we think of all you have achieved.

"Listen to the whisper of a dream within your heart
Setting your imagination free, Inspiring you to do
your best, To always reach for more.
Daring you to be all you can be."



Doll Face

Congratulations
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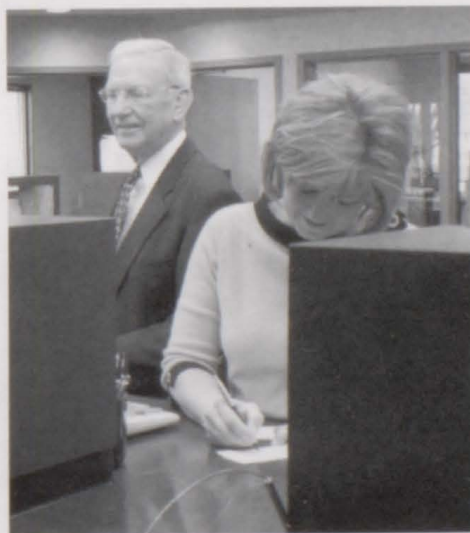


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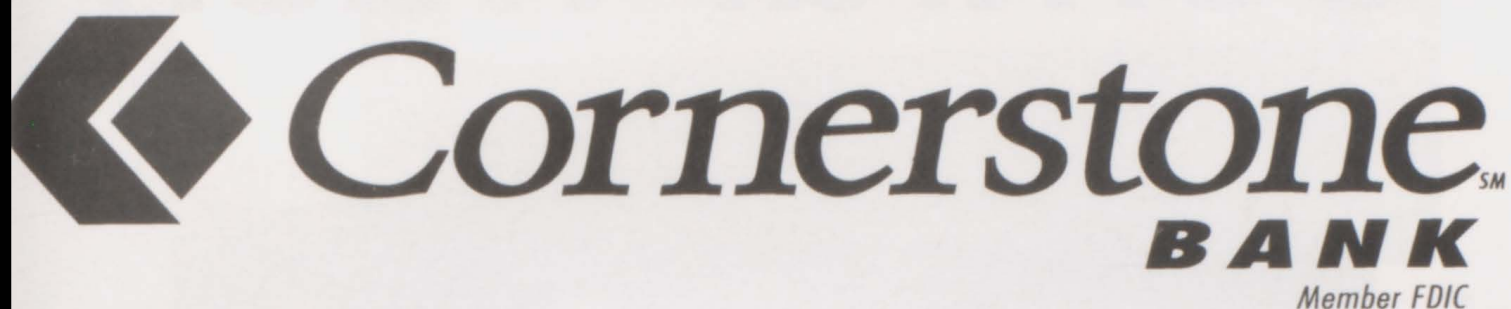


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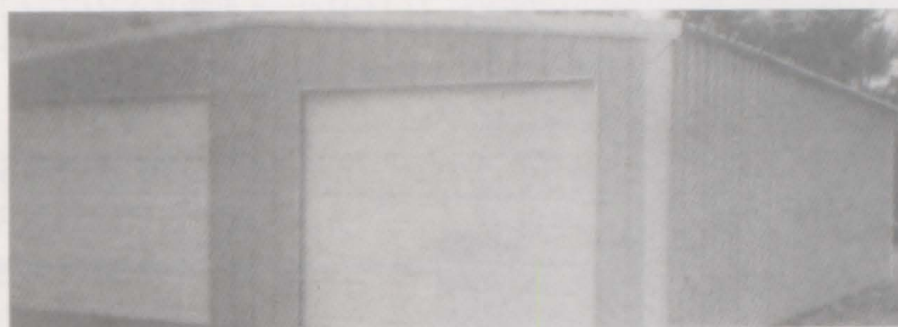
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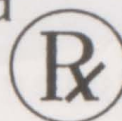
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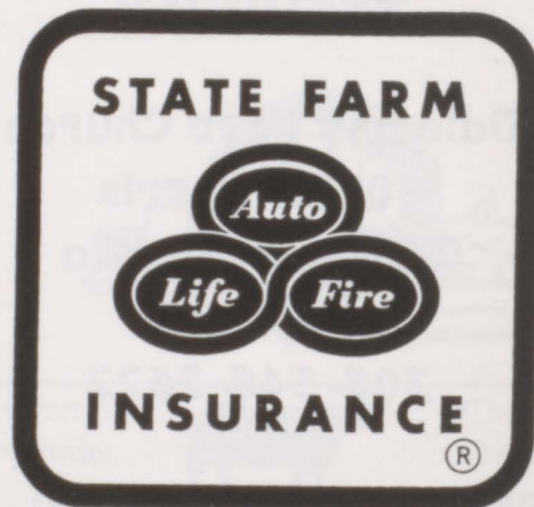
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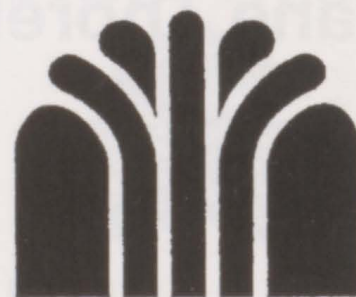
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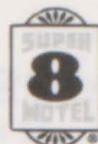
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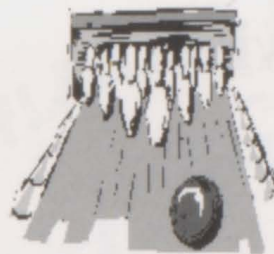
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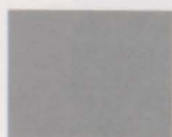
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